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Town Officers, 1909.

Selectmen.

HENRY W. HOLBROOK, Chairman.
WILLIAM LAWTON. GEORGE S. HOLDEN.

Assessors.

R. E. CUMMINGS, Term expires 1910
HARRY T. BISHOP, " " 1911
JOHN O. HAMILTON, " " 1912

Overseers of the Poor.

HARRY T. BISHOP, Term expires 1910
ANDREW A. WARRINER, " " 1911
PATRICK CROWLEY, " " 1912

Town Clerk, 3 Years.

JOHN F. FOLEY, Term expires 1912.

Town Treasurer.

JOSEPH F. HOLBROOK.

School Committee.

F. A. UPHAM, Term expires 1910
JOHN F. ROCHE, " " 1910
LUTHER H. GAGER, " " 1910
GEORGE D. MOOERS, " " 1911
JAMES WILSON, " " 1911
WILLIAM B. KERIGAN, " " 1912

Board of Health.

DR. JACOB P. SCHNEIDER, Term expires 1910
DR. SAMUEL O. MILLER, " " 1911
DR. HARRY C. CHENEY, " " 1912

Tax Collector.

JAMES AUSTIN HAWKES.

Cemetery Commissioners.

LOUIS G. BARKER, Time expires 1910
DAVID L. BODFISH, " " 1911
FRED M. RALTON, " " 1912

Auditors.

EVERETT W. CARPENTER. CHARLES A. LEGRO

Constables.

GEORGE A. BILLS. MICHAEL COLLINS. JAMES J. MANNING.
EDWARD F. MCKELLIGOTT. MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN JR.

Fence Viewers.

JOSEPH M. ALLEN. CALVIN W. HASTINGS. EDWARD J. FULLER.

Tree Warden.

CHARLES H. KEITH.

Field Drivers.

PURLIN M. SHEARER. HORACE W. STIMSON.

Highway Surveyor.

CHARLES T. BRAINERD.

Town Clerk's Report.

RECORDED FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1909.

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| Number of births, | 270 |
| deaths, | 135 |
| marriages, | 109 |
| marriage certificates issued, | 103 |
| chattel mortgages, | 21 |
| assignment of wages, | 0 |
| discharge of mortgage, | 8 |

JOHN F. FOLEY, Town Clerk.

DOGS.

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|
| Total number, | . | . | . | . | . | . | 331 |
| Males, | . | . | . | . | . | 300 | |
| Females, | . | . | . | . | . | 31 | |
| | | | | | | | 331 |

BIRTHS REGISTERED, 1909.

| DATE. | NAME OF CHILD. | PARENTS' NAMES. |
|--------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Jan. 1 | Michael. | Michael and Mary Ambas. |
| 1 | Ruth Edna, | Frank L. and Caltha A. Morway. |
| 2 | Mary. | Anthony and Victoria Mamulskyz. |
| 2 | Kcheswava. | Broniswaf and Victoria Pobyagaoa. |
| 2 | Carolina. | John and Julia Kapinos. |
| 3 | Henrick. | Joseph and Veronica Komcidor. |
| 5 | Mielchifef. | Frank and Carolina Fark. |
| 5 | Bridget. | John and Mary Smart. |
| 6 | Mary. | Joseph and Josie Opiloski. |

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|--------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Jan. 8 | John Michael. | Daniel and Kate Haley. |
| 9 | Wladyslaw. | Peter and Kate Pietros. |
| 9 | Annie. | Michael and Eva Zomback. |
| 10 | Stany. | Peter and Katy Motyka. |
| 11 | Carmelita. | Albert and Clara Zazemica. |
| 14 | Clementina. | Clemente and Giovanina Giglio. |
| 14 | Eduardo. | Tommaso and Maria Santuccio. |
| 16 | Bronislaw. | Joseph and Anita Mikula. |
| 16 | Stanislas. | Ludwig and Annie Nietopsky. |
| 16 | Mary. | Wadeslaf and Franceska Kolish. |
| 20 | Stanney. | Stanney and Mary Kos. |
| 21 | Stanney. | John and Nellie Wilga. |
| 21 | William K. | Peter and Mary Karlon. |
| 23 | Charles M. | Percy and Martha Smith. |
| 25 | _____ | _____ |
| 26 | Joseph. | John and Elzbita Szeliga. |
| 30 | Albert. | Henry and Celia Cadieux. |
| Feb. 1 | Fred. | Wm. J. and Henriette A. Phillipps. |
| 1 | Broniswava. | John and Veronica Smart. |
| 1 | Joseph. | John and Mary Lesrik. |
| 1 | Mary. | John and Eva Medura. |
| 1 | Joseph F. | John and Mary Austen. |
| 2 | Margaret. | Thomas W. and Bridget Mansfield. |
| 2 | Maria Ann. | Ignace and Franciska Waskyewicz. |
| 3 | Andria. | Albert and Cora Gourz. |
| 4 | Rudolph. | John and Mary Stroka. |
| 5 | Joseph. | Anthony and Pauline Rys. |
| 6 | Sophie. | William and Tekla Sourtis. |
| 6 | Carthagene. | Joseph and Madelina Jorczik. |
| 8 | Mary Ella. | Philius and Mary Beauregard. |
| 8 | Stanislas. | Valentine and Mary Waskosky. |
| 9 | Harold H. | Christen and Katherine Christiansen. |
| 10 | Leo M. | Charles and Florence Kushna. |
| 11 | Lazzaro. | Dominick and Sophie Cassalla. |
| 15 | Fioravanti. | Frank and Guiseppa Santucci. |
| 15 | Rosae. | Vaslaf and Mary Mikalish. |
| 16 | Homer C. | Anthony and Clara Fontaine. |
| 17 | Joseph A. | Philius and Aurore Leclair. |

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|---------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| Feb. 18 | Stanney. | Joseph and Mary Kelleuski. |
| 19 | Mierzyslaw. | John and Anna Sigrida. |
| 20 | Timothy. | Edward and Ellen Crimmins. |
| 20 | Joseph. | Valentine and Annie Gowark. |
| 21 | Robert Emmett. | Michael and Mary Farrelly. |
| 22 | Rosae. | Wadeswaf and Katy Minkalis. |
| 26 | Anna. | Albert and Mary Szabla. |
| 28 | Zophia. | Stanny and Franciska Kolish. |
| Mar. 1 | Charles. | Joseph and Sarah J. Harrison. |
| 3 | Donald J. | George B. and Lucy Loux. |
| 4 | Wladyslaw. | Peter and Anna Ciel. |
| 6 | Wadeswaf. | Stephen and Franceska Gitzeck. |
| 7 | Joseph. | George and Mary Kwolek. |
| 7 | Mable F. | George L. and Dora Steele. |
| 9 | Frederick. | Andrew and Josie Trzepicj. |
| 10 | John. | Ignace and Anna Janoush. |
| 15 | Annie. | John and Agatha Mastalish. |
| 17 | Joseph P. | Pierre and Mary Nevue. |
| 19 | Josephine. | Thomas and Antholina Mendolosky. |
| 19 | Sidney A. | Morris and Minnie Goldberg. |
| 22 | Anna. | Jeremiah and Anna Spillane. |
| 22 | Gladys M. | Cornelius J. and Ellen T. Sugrue. |
| 24 | Stephenia. | Joseph and Annie Kelbus. |
| 24 | Wladyslaw. | Frank and Franciska Warchal. |
| 29 | Staniswawa. | Stannie and Anna Mamunski. |
| 30 | Joseph. | Joseph and Christina Fabyn. |
| Apr. 3 | Mary Ethel. | Daniel M. and Mary Finnerty. |
| 3 | Stannie. | Stannie and Mary Bigda. |
| 5 | Anthony. | Frank and Zophie Papouga. |
| 7 | Ruth E. | Charles B. and Minnie B. McDuffee. |
| 8 | Julia. | Anthony and Zophie Topourk. |
| 8 | Lillian R. | Anton and Sophia Peterson. |
| 10 | Stephana. | Thoophile and Mary Kalinofky. |
| 13 | Emily. | Henry and Martha McCollom. |
| 14 | Adam. | Charles and Mary Zopka. |
| 15 | Casemir. | Anthony and Metheld Segel. |
| 18 | Wadeswawa. | Leo and Mary Sphyaklick. |
| 19 | Harvey. | Wilfred and Merance Boissey. |

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| Apr. 22 | Madaleen. | A. W. and Mary Rachel Holbrook. |
| 26 | Wladyslaw. | Adam and Mary Broten. |
| 27 | Frances R. | Francis and Jeanette Wilson. |
| 29 | Ludwiki. | Albert and Kunda Dziura. |
| May 1 | William J. | Wilson and Jane Dunlop. |
| 2 | Stella. | Theophile and Eva Worzianitch. |
| 2 | Helena. | John and Mary Scarza. |
| 9 | John F. | John C. and Ella Sullivan. |
| 9 | Agnes. | Albert and Zophie Warsuluk. |
| 9 | Marae E. | Diendonne and Marie J. Chabot. |
| 9 | Leo Henry. | Oliver and Emma Dumias. |
| 10 | Stanislas. | John and Mary Jarlick. |
| 12 | Josie. | Paul and Balbina Krazalek. |
| 12 | Marie A. | Guiallanine and Rose A. Paimpare. |
| 13 | Hazel M. | Jerry and Maud Denning. |
| 13 | Bernice M. | Fred M. and Laura M. Barber. |
| 13 | Wladyslaw. | Anthony and Mary Doudet. |
| 14 | Sophie. | John and Mary Pliska. |
| 15 | Wladyslaw. | Michael and Sophie Warhal. |
| 16 | Walter J. | Walter A. and Sadie Burford. |
| 23 | Anthony. | Sebastian and Katy Michalish. |
| 23 | Joseph A. | George and Christina Potvin. |
| 24 | Marie B. | William and Emma Babin. |
| 24 | George A. | George and Ademansa Breault. |
| 27 | Stephen. | Stanislas and Ellen Sendrosky. |
| 30 | Zofia. | John and Zofia Gadziala. |
| June 1 | Patrick J. | Thomas and Nellie Quirk. |
| 1 | Leonard P. | Ludger L. and Azilda Dupuis. |
| 3 | Ruth I. | Albert C. and Ettie E. Martineau. |
| 4 | Mary A. | Marcin and Martine Nadoldy. |
| 8 | Chesvara. | Michael and Dora Acobovitch. |
| 9 | Raymond E. | William and Anna Drechler. |
| 11 | Mildred S. | John and Lena Michelson. |
| 11 | Mary. | Anthony and Josie Ostalyski. |
| 11 | Bernice F. | Thomas and Anna T. Vennert. |
| 11 | Emery. | George and Clarinda Babin. |
| 13 | Ethel May. | Edward and Jessie Provincial. |
| 15 | Gertrude M. | George and Saphonie Rogers. |

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| June 17 | Junior Sabin. | Frank E. and Bessie H. Merrick. |
| 17 | Joseph H. | Alcide and Marie A. Morcure. |
| 17 | Aurore R. | Louis and Georgiana Mailhot. |
| 17 | Joseph. | Albert and Franciska Christopbeet. |
| 18 | Wadeslaf. | Stanislas and Bridget Zimba. |
| 19 | Alphonse. | Jacob and Julie Wours. |
| 20 | Stanie. | Joseph and Cora Legenza. |
| 20 | Wadeslaw. | Eurtechy and Antonyka Zebrosky. |
| 21 | Amos. | Alcide and Mary Mercure. |
| 21 | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | Richard H. | Donald C. and Mary A. Waite. |
| 22 | Gladys M. | Thomas and Armanda Holt. |
| 30 | Ernest T. | Ernest T. and Viola Taylor. |
| July 4 | Anna May. | Fred J. and Lida E. Brouillette. |
| 5 | ----- | ----- |
| 5 | Catherine C. | Dennis and Mary E. Daley. |
| 7 | Ernest T. | Amila and Helena Taurengeau. |
| 7 | Victoria. | John and Mary Zohara. |
| 9 | Leo E. | Charles and Mary Cordially. |
| 13 | Lucy E. | Warren and Lena M. Dane. |
| 14 | Mary B. | Frederick and Eva Rinfette. |
| 15 | ----- | Fred K. and Gertrude L. Davis. |
| 15 | Veronica. | Frank and Rosae Alban. |
| 17 | Stephen. | Joseph and Anna Drosiak. |
| 19 | William E. | William F. and Hattie M. Otis. |
| 20 | Vedeslaf. | Joseph and Mary Consmidier. |
| 21 | Catherine M. | John P. and Anna O'Connor. |
| 25 | Raymond M. | Arthur and Katherine Gloster. |
| 25 | Charles H. | Joseph F. and Lilly Davis. |
| 27 | Mary. | August and Mary Ammann. |
| 29 | ----- | ----- |
| Aug. 1 | William F. | William F. and Katherine A. Dunn. |
| 2 | Weronika. | Joseph and Katy Moryl. |
| 4 | Kenneth D. | Alden V. and Helen Cooper. |
| 4 | Edward C. | Fred C. and Isabell Hook. |
| 6 | Sophie C. | Joseph and Georgianna Rusan. |
| 8 | ----- | ----- |
| 8 | Stanney. | Roch and Mary Netupski. |

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| Aug. 8 | Constance. | Rufus and Rebecca R. Flynt. |
| 10 | Alfred. | Merczeslaw and Helane Osolinski. |
| 10 | Ellen A. | Charles and Florence Callahan. |
| 11 | William B. | Thomas and Helen R. Rivers. |
| 13 | John. | John and Margaret Koziek. |
| 13 | John. | John and Mary Lesniak. |
| 13 | Marie B. | Eugene and Aurore Bertrand. |
| 14 | George A. | John F. and Catherine Bishop. |
| 14 | Marguerite E. | Arthur and Bertha Palin. |
| 15 | John. | Stanislas and Bridget Damoga. |
| 16 | Ellinor M. | Maurice and Mary A. Moriarty. |
| 19 | — | — — — |
| 19 | Frank. | Frank and Lizzie Matura. |
| 20 | — | — — — |
| 22 | Rosalind L. | William M. and Alice Gale. |
| 25 | Doris. | Thomas W. and Maggie Cole. |
| 27 | Marie. | George and Elise Belisle. |
| 30 | — | John and Thenna Kos. |
| 31 | John. | Joseph and Apolonia Kinczus. |
| Sept. 1 | Charles E. | Frank L. and Arlena Barton. |
| 5 | Jason S. | Edson and Ina Walker. |
| 6 | Victor. | Joseph and Victoria Goodz. |
| 6 | Anthony. | John and Kate Sliva. |
| 8 | Theodore. | Albert and Maggie Zukus. |
| 9 | Leo P. | Philomon and Julianne Labelle. |
| 10 | Stanie. | Maciej and Katie Strychos. |
| 10 | Alice E. | William and Alice Askins. |
| 11 | Searwood W. | Garfield and Cora M. Johnson. |
| 13 | Cecelia. | Roman and Sophie Rayngiel. |
| 15 | Leonard A. | Arthur and Henriette Chabut. |
| 15 | Stanislas. | Michael and Eva Banish. |
| 15 | Howard E. | Robert A. and Pearl Tabor. |
| 16 | Marie L. D. | Valmore and Alma Pelletier. |
| 16 | Anna. | Frank and Lucy Stickney. |
| 19 | Benjamin K. | Benjamin C. and Bessie M. Shaw. |
| 20 | Frank. | William and Annie Sinigel. |
| 21 | Laureta L. | Aurelia and Hattie Orin. |
| 22 | Raymond F. | Louis and Rosalie Brouillette. |

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| Sept. 23 | Samuel. | Samuel and Martha Jameson. |
| 26 | — | Edward C. and Addie M. Bradway |
| 28 | Marie A. | Charles and Rose A. Guilette. |
| Oct. 1 | Gladys Mary. | Robert and Jemima Blair. |
| 4 | Anna. | Albert and Anna Szelega. |
| 5 | William H. | William H. and Gustava Grady. |
| 8 | Alexandra. | Peter and Mary Gilzeczowski. |
| 8 | Frank. | Stanie and Dora Grula. |
| 9 | Maggie J. | William J. and Lizzie A. Sinclair. |
| 10 | Marguerite M. | John B. and Ivonne Gibouleau. |
| 12 | Hazel M. | Thomas and Mary Gleason. |
| 12 | Edward J. | Henry A. and Helen Dunphy. |
| 16 | Katrine. | Charles and Cathrine Bigda. |
| 18 | Edwin. | William and Polly Ramen. |
| 20 | Muriel W. | Lewis and Mabelle Worthington. |
| 20 | George J. | Thomas and Mary Novalsky. |
| 21 | Brodislaf. | Anthony and Broniswava Lemensky. |
| 26 | Mary. | Joseph and Bridget Zyc. |
| 26 | Marianne E. | Ludonic and Alexina Deslaurier. |
| 29 | Santine. | Luigi and Emila Dimaio. |
| 29 | Annie. | John and Kate Lukis. |
| 30 | Guisseppina. | Fillippo and Maria Sullso. |
| 31 | Anthony. | Peter and Eva Swisk. |
| Nov. 2 | Henry. | Joseph and Anila Jazek. |
| 2 | Victor C. | John B. and Malvina Gibeau. |
| 6 | Joseph T. | Onesime and Valentine Denille. |
| 10 | Raymond L. | George H. and Emma R. Murdock. |
| 11 | Catherine May. | Daniel J. and Mary F. Dunn. |
| 14 | Marcelle. | John and Mary Kane. |
| 15 | Annie. | Anthony and Zophie Perdak. |
| 22 | Joseph. | John and Apolonia Medura. |
| 24 | Wadeswaf. | Thomas and Julia Bounk. |
| 26 | Elizabeth May. | Andrew and Blanche M. Rathbone. |
| 26 | Joseph Romulus. | Joseph and Georgianna Landry. |
| 26 | Joseph Romale. | Joseph and Georgiana Landry. |
| 27 | Alphonsine E. | George and Josephine Gaboury. |
| 28 | John. | Anthony and Mary Bigda. |
| 28 | Blanche. | Joseph and Amelia Cadieux. |

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| Nov. 30 | Stanislaw. | John and Wiktorja Wreszien. |
| 30 | Mary. | Michael and Agnes Skinny. |
| Dec. 2 | — — — | Samuel W. and Emma L. Allyn. |
| 3 | Homer E. | George M. and Sadie A. Darling. |
| 4 | Stafaka. | John and Josie Castrelva. |
| 6 | Mary E. | Allie and Mary Lisco. |
| 7 | Anton. | Antoni and Kate Glenioz. |
| 9 | Julia. | Michael and Kate Magera. |
| 9 | Beatrice C. | Adolphe and Malvina Clang. |
| 9 | Joseph. | Lawrence and Sophie Rozac. |
| 11 | Stanie. | Stanie and Katie Papuga. |
| 13 | Weronica. | Michael and Honorata Minkalis. |
| 13 | Leonard J. | Milton J. and Martha J. Royce. |
| 14 | Elva May. | Eli and Delia Sorrell. |
| 15 | George L. | Mahlon R. and Amelia Fosket. |
| 15 | Mary M. | John and Adelaide Reopell. |
| 17 | Donald J. | Frank J. and Anna H. Roche. |
| 18 | Marion H. | Charles E. and Annie A. Walker. |
| 24 | Wendell E. | Irving K. and Bena Forsman. • |
| 24 | — — — | — — — — — |
| 24 | Marie L. | Doria and Melvina Hebert. |
| 26 | Vanda. | Antony and Julia Jorszak. |
| 27 | Adam. | Edmond and Anna Kos. |
| 31 | Julia. | Martin and Katherine Supka. |

MARRIAGES 1909.

| DATE. | GROOM. | RESIDENCE. | BRIDE. | RESIDENCE. |
|---------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Jan. 11 | Ernest M. Ide, | Three Rivers | Abbie O. Burbank, | Warren |
| 12 | Adam Cesatis, | Three Rivers | Olegka Wisnefka, | Three Rivers |
| 14 | John Soltys, | Bondsville | Rosalia Pietros, | Bondsville |
| 19 | Anthony Stryhasz, | Bondsville | Apolonia Kobok, | Bondsville |
| 26 | Ludwik Pisarczyk, | Bondsville | Cunneegunda Kubacki, | Bondsville |
| 26 | Anthony Joreczak, | Bondsville | Katargyna Wadas, | Bondsville |
| 27 | Grover C. Smith, | Palmer | Lena May Root, | Three Rivers |
| Feb. 1 | Andrew Sczepal, | Bondsville | Katy Czelcka, | Bondsville |
| 1 | Andrew Laska, | Three Rivers | Mary Robak, | Three Rivers |
| 1 | Joseph Strycharz, | Bondsville | Ludwika Koolk, | Bondsville |
| 1 | Ignac Kwiecienski, | Bondsville | Apolonia Kapinos, | Bondsville |
| 2 | Walter Maciejwski, | Three Rivers | Mary Jajuga, | Three Rivers |
| 8 | Stanislaw Nowesacki, | Three Rivers | Franciska Samszel, | Palmer |
| 8 | Stany Tyburski, | Thorndike | Julyna Syrek, | Wilbraham |
| 9 | Edward F. Kos, | Bondsville | Maggie Novak, | Bondsville |

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|---------|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Feb. 9 | Albert Czepliel, | Bondsville | Carolina Pisarczyk, | Bondsville |
| 12 | James Allen, | Three Rivers | Sarah Leggett, | Three Rivers |
| 16 | William Askins, | Palmer | Alice L. Ryder, | Palmer |
| 20 | Frank Bronson, | Wilbraham | Blanche Consigny, | Wilbraham |
| 22 | Stanislas Borek, | Three Rivers | Bridget Cohanek, | Three Rivers |
| 22 | John A. Hearn, | Worcester | Lena M. Girouard, | Bondsville |
| Apr. 14 | H. Arthur Bowker, | Monson | Cora E. Calkins, | Monson |
| 17 | Fred C. Hook, | Palmer | Isabelle F. Darling, | Palmer |
| 20 | Charles F. Shaw, | Palmer | Estella Allen, | Palmer |
| May 3 | Charles J. Coyer, | Three Rivers | Elizabeth Dufour, | Three Rivers |
| 4 | John Karcz, | Bondsville | Amiela Lobws, | Bondsville |
| 4 | Adam Pula, | Bondsville | Agnes Wiatr, | Bondsville |
| 5 | Fred M. Disley, | Palmer | Ora Bassette, | Thorndike |
| 18 | Simon Starzyk, | Bondsville | Broniswawa Cypek, | Bondsville |
| 24 | Adelard Lebeau, | Three Rivers | Eveline Touchette, | Three Rivers |
| 26 | George A. Murdock, | Gilbertville | Emma R. Kuss, | Three Rivers |
| 31 | Loes Marka, | Thorndike | Antania Ltboz, | Thorndike |
| June 4 | Wojciech Daniel, | Three Rivers | Mary Rec, | Three Rivers |
| 9 | Patrick M. Shea, | Springfield | Bridget T. Moriarty, | No. Wilbraham |
| 13 | Tony Mele, | Charlton City | Jennie Gello, | Palmer |
| 15 | Thomas J. Moran, | Palmer | Isabella Veronica Tryon, | Palmer |
| 15 | John Kutaga, | Bondsville | Katy Szwedi, | Bondsville |
| 16 | Thomas Mearns, | Palmer | Alice Beams, | Worcester |
| 21 | William C. B. Merriam, | Springfield | May Belle Brown, | Palmer |
| 22 | John Pilch, | Thorndike | Bronislaw Salamon, | Thorndike |
| 23 | Robert J. Reynolds, | Ludlow | Eleanor J. Alden, | Ludlow |
| 27 | Frank N. Allen, | Palmer | Bessie D. Perry, | Greenfield |
| 30 | Patrick J. O'Reilly, | Milford | Eva M. Dutilly, | Palmer |
| 30 | William L. Dempsey, | Ludlow | Elizabeth Long, | Wilbraham |
| July 5 | Ernest Brothers, | Palmer | Alphonsine Mayott, | Three Rivers |
| 5 | John Sliva, | Bondsville | Katy Kapinos, | Bondsville |
| 7 | Thomas Orzech, | Three Rivers | Victoria Wida, | Thorndike |
| 13 | Andrew Stoktosor, | Three Rivers | Mary Smart, | Three Rivers |
| 13 | Paul Kobas, | Three Rivers | Helena Kuze, | Three Rivers |
| 13 | John Gula, | Bondsville | Helena Ufoski, | Bondsville |
| 17 | Julius R. Kranich, | Southington, Ct., | Freda L. Burkhardt, | Southington |
| 22 | Holowill P. Marcy, | Palmer | Mary A. Davenport, | Palmer |
| 26 | Earle F. Cordner, | Palmer | Helene E. Reed, | Palmer |
| 27 | Paulyn Symanski, | Southbridge | Franceszk Kryszak, | Three Rivers |
| 27 | Wadyslaw Topor, | Bondsville | Yadwiga Wresiej, | Three Rivers |
| 29 | Orrin Ives, | Attleboro | Ruth A. Trumble, | Thorndike |
| Aug 3 | Frank Duda, | Bondsville | Anna Strychos, | Bondsville |
| 9 | Stanislas Habarek, | Three Rivers | Staniswawa Zilka, | Three Rivers |
| 10 | Frank sommer, | Springfield | Lillian Mansfield, | Palmer |
| 11 | Frank Stahurski, | Three Rivers | Yadiswawa Zilka, | Three Rivers |
| 17 | Stany Gula, | Thorndike | Zofia Topor, | Thorndike |
| 17 | Eli Sorrell, | Palmer | Delia Smith, | Palmer |
| 19 | Ignace Opielowski, | Bondsville | Mary Filch, | Bondsville |
| 21 | Willis A. Calkins, | Palmer | Ethel M. Greene, | Palmer |
| 23 | Burton Rose, | Bondsville | Margaret Coveny, | Bondsville |
| 24 | Thomas Kozora, | Whitinsville | Anna Urban, | Thorndike |
| 31 | Michael R. Sullivan, | Bondsville | Margaret E. McCoy, | Dorchester |
| 31 | Bronislaw Serakowski, | Three Rivers | Antonia Rodowicz, | Three Rivers |
| 31 | Stanislaus Czech, | Bondsville | Apolonia Kulic, | Bondsville |
| 31 | Joseph Nikoulen, | Bondsville | Anna Vrobel, | Bondsville |

| DATE. | GROOM. | RESIDENCE. | BRIDE. | RESIDENCE. |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Sept. 1 | Henry C. Wentworth, | Amherst | Mildred A. Dustin, | Monson |
| 1 | Elbert L. Wilson, | Palmer | Mabel L. Titterton, | Templeton |
| 8 | Walter G. McIntire, | Monson | Lena Bailey, | Monson |
| 10 | John Callahan, | Monson | Elizabeth Sullivan, | Bondsville |
| 13 | Frank Wysmolek, | Three Rivers | Tefila Kammska, | Three Rivers |
| 14 | Wojciech Mlynawack, | Three Rivers | Mary Nec, | Three Rivers |
| 17 | John Kukla, | Springfield | Ludwika Kamiruska, | Wilbraham |
| 18 | Stanislas Baldiga, | Three Rivers | Rosalie Kerston, | Three Rivers |
| 18 | Lindsey C. Brigham, | Monson | May B. Clay, | Monson |
| 25 | Harry C. Ellithorpe, | Palmer | Mabel E. Heritage, | Monson |
| 28 | John Mehon, | Bondsville | Zofia Wroscin, | Three Rivers |
| 29 | Arthur N. Bond, | Thorndike | Jeanette Chapman, | West Warren |
| Oct. 5 | Jan Cupryan, | Three Rivers | Zofia Panek, | Three Rivers |
| 5 | Joseph Bielarazkie, | Bondsville | Bronislawa Kokoska, | Bondsville |
| 5 | Adam Wilk, | Thorndike | Agneska Lesniak, | Bondsville |
| 6 | Hector J. Aldrich, | Monson | Maude A. Blake, | Monson |
| 7 | Perley M. Emery, | Palmer | Gertrude E. Walker, | Kennebunk, Me. |
| 9 | Klemens Murdza, | Bondsville | Razalia Spievak, | Bondsville |
| 11 | Alcide F. Gosselin, | Springfield | Lila Barbin, | Palmer |
| 12 | Albert E. Call, | Springfield | Harriett N. Fitch, | Palmer |
| 18 | Frank Murach, | Palmer | Katherine Parzich, | Springfield |
| 19 | George W. Tracy, | Palmer | Mary Houlihan, | Ware |
| 20 | Charles L. Day, | Monson | Lida May Wing, | Monson |
| 20 | George H. Gallup, | Monson | Nellie F. Brown, | Monson |
| 27 | S. Wilson Lawrence, | Palmer | Frances C. Doherty, | Palmer |
| Nov. 1 | Clifford H. Colburn, | Stafford | Ida B. Bowden, | Stafford |
| 3 | Albert Jordan, | Palmer | Josephine Lynch, | Palmer |
| 10 | Lawrence S. Miller, | New Harbor, Me | Lottie McIntyre, | New Harbor, Me |
| 10 | Tadeusz Szado, | Thorndike | Honorata Dray, | Thorndike |
| 15 | Edward Sullivan, | Newton | Annie V. Luman, | Palmer |
| 16 | Wojciech Zagarniecy, | Three Rivers | Julia Cechon, | Three Rivers |
| 16 | Stanislas Roman, | Three Rivers | Mary Szymkowicz, | Thorndike |
| 22 | Henry Lequin, | Fiskdale | Georgianna Bonnaville, | Palmer |
| 23 | Joseph Sebrovski, | Three Rivers | Katy Simanska, | Three Rivers |
| 23 | Joseph Krol, | Bondsville | Anna Kielbasa, | Bondsville |
| 24 | Dmytro Gryb, | Thorndike | Ludwika Sraba, | Thorndike |
| 24 | William F. Gaffney, | Palmer | Mary L. Levine, | Palmer |
| Dec. 22 | Carl H. Forsman, | Palmer | Anna Peterson, | Palmer |
| 29 | Seymour G. Freeman, | Newark, N. J | Eva G. Blodgett, | Monson |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN PALMER, 1909.

| DATE. | NAME. | YRS. | MS. | DS. |
|--------|--------------------|------|-----|-----|
| Jan. 1 | Catherine Haynes, | 68 | | |
| 2 | Frank Panek, | 26 | | |
| 2 | Wojciech Michalak, | | | 9 |
| 4 | Agnes Kictbaso, | 28 | | |
| 10 | Rudolph Skowria, | 36 | 6 | |
| 11 | Delia C. Griffin, | 39 | | |
| 13 | Hannah Plant, | 31 | | |

| DATE. | NAME. | YRS. | MS. | DS. |
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| 14 | Maryjane Kulis, | | | 1 |
| 19 | Franciece Ditto, | 51 | 5 | 6 |
| 19 | Alfred Fontaine, | | 6 | 26 |
| 20 | Calista Loomis, | 79 | 10 | |
| 20 | John Desmond, | 55 | | |
| 24 | Peter Maguire, | 63 | | |
| 25 | — — — — — | | still born | |
| 28 | Frank Gernon, | | 2 | 2 |
| Feb. 2 | Mixcrystaw Chwalck, | | 1 | |
| 13 | Joseph Zalas, | | | 1 |
| 16 | Stany Pietras, | 1 | 4 | |
| 17 | Francis Lacroix, | | | 2 |
| 21 | Julia Fortier, | 57 | 11 | |
| 23 | Joseph Minzalis, | | 4 | |
| 25 | David P. Lamb, | 66 | 1 | 1 |
| Mar. 3 | George A. Keirh, | 79 | 2 | 4 |
| 5 | Mary E. Kennedy, | 75 | 10 | 22 |
| 7 | Joseph A. Leclair, | | | 18 |
| 10 | Miewryslaw Krol, | | 2 | 15 |
| 14 | — — — — — | | still born | |
| 14 | Franciska Drick, | 24 | | |
| 15 | Margaret Rohnan, | 65 | | |
| 16 | Andrey Kohanek, | 3 | | |
| 29 | Ernest Harrison, | | 1 | |
| Apr. 1 | Catharine C. Moriarty, | 23 | 4 | |
| 7 | Bridget Kennedy, | 33 | | |
| 10 | Ruthe E. Benoit, | 2 | | |
| 17 | Richard H. Wright, | 55 | | |
| 23 | John Morcinies, | 1 | | |
| 30 | Ervin G. Back, | 26 | 5 | 24 |
| 24 | Bridget Cavanaugh, | 65 | | |
| May 6 | John F. Twiss, | 53 | | |
| 12 | Wesley Sisco, | 2 | 6 | |
| 23 | Harriet M. Richardson, | 58 | 11 | 16 |
| June 1 | Wanda Marcinies, | 1 | 1 | |
| 2 | Caroline Knox, | 78 | | |
| 2 | Edward McKelligott, | 77 | | |
| 2 | Annie Sarno, | | 5 | 1 |

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| 3 | Michael Montfovel, | 24 | | |
| 5 | Wladyslaw Duda, | | | 21 |
| 14 | Hannah Heney, | 86 | | |
| 15 | Leton Krawiec, | | 9 | |
| 19 | Herminigile Bachand, | 63 | | |
| 20 | Marie J. Lafranchise, | 1 | | 10 |
| 21 | — — — — — | | still born | |
| 21 | Emery Babin, | | | 14 |
| 21 | Johannah Shea, | 61 | | |
| 24 | Dmetio Masl, | 20 | | |
| 25 | Mary Roman, | 1 | 2 | |
| 25 | Edwin R. Pierce, | 58 | 7 | 23 |
| 26 | Bridget Trzenker, | 2 | 2 | |
| 26 | Jean B. Brodeur, | 64 | | |
| 26 | Jurzs Krystofick, | | 6 | |
| July 2 | Frances Gorczyca, | 1 | 3 | |
| 4 | Maryana Pietras, | 1 | 2 | 14 |
| 13 | Julia Dwyer, | 80 | | |
| 20 | Edward Harrison, | | 4 | |
| 21 | Howard I. Moses, | 47 | 4 | |
| 25 | Dennis P. Shea, | 39 | | |
| 29 | — — — — — | | still born | |
| 30 | Hannah S. Rogers, | 87 | 10 | 9 |
| 31 | Vincent C. O'Neil, | | 3 | |
| Aug. 3 | Thomas Hartnett, | 52 | | |
| 5 | George B. Holden, | 4 | 1 | 24 |
| 5 | Katie Drogoj, | | 6 | |
| 6 | Rose Alasky, | | 4 | 17 |
| 8 | — — — — — | | still born | |
| 13 | Rosa Hyrmiewicz, | 24 | | |
| 13 | Fred Philips, | | 6 | |
| 14 | Wladyslaw Wrachal | | 4 | 14 |
| 14 | Annie M. Brouillette, | | 1 | 14 |
| 14 | Harvey Boissy, | | 4 | |
| 15 | Maggie Sinclair, | | 10 | |
| 18 | Hendric Soydok, | | 11 | |
| 18 | Wraneisek Kelazs, | | | 13 |
| 19 | — — — — — | | still born | |

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| Aug. 21 | Miscystona Kielstyka, | | | 14 |
| 21 | John T. Hopkins, | 62 | | |
| 22 | Joseph Rys, | | 7 | |
| 27 | Daniel Crowley, | 81 | | |
| 29 | Riggiero Casciello, | | 7 | |
| Sept. 2 | Sophia Kulis, | | 6 | |
| 4 | Edwin Skowera, | | 11 | 5 |
| 7 | John Michalek, | 2 | 2 | |
| 11 | Sarah C. Young, | 75 | 1 | 23 |
| 11 | Bolestaw Flitka, | | 8 | |
| 13 | Henry Desormier, | 27 | 3 | |
| 13 | Walter A. Fox, | 24 | 3 | 20 |
| 14 | Joseph Lebeau, | 5 | 8 | |
| 20 | Irene Farrelly, | 4 | 6 | |
| 24 | Josephine Stotminskor, | | 1 | |
| 30 | Cornelius Haley, | 60 | | |
| Oct. 4 | Arthur Potvin, | | 4 | |
| 9 | Lindrina Lukas, | 3 | 6 | |
| 18 | Francisak Ryngiel, | 1 | 3 | |
| 18 | John E. Ferrell, | 58 | 5 | 10 |
| 20 | Joseph Nevalsky, | | 1 | 7 |
| 21 | Delia Kulis, | 2 | | |
| 22 | Xavier Belisle, | 40 | | |
| 23 | John Murphy, | 60 | | |
| 25 | Ludwika Driund, | | 6 | |
| 27 | Joseph G. Haley, | 72 | 7 | |
| 30 | Ann Thompson, | 77 | | |
| 31 | Catherine E. Cavanaugh, | 4 | | |
| Nov. 4 | Thomas Doyle, | 78 | | |
| 8 | Anna E. Pepler, | 5 | 11 | |
| 10 | Sabin A. Parker, | 62 | 9 | |
| 23 | Joseph Jagura, | | one hour | |
| 24 | Celia Ryngil, | | | 21 |
| 24 | Stanislaw Nietpuski, | | 10 | |
| 25 | Sophia Topor, | 2 | 6 | |
| 25 | Carrie E. Bird, | 53 | | |
| 25 | Helena Czepiel, | | | 4 |
| 26 | Michael Mannie, | 59 | | |

| DATE. | NAME. | YRS. | MS. | DS. |
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| Nov.28 | Zofia Wrubel, | 1 | 3 | |
| Dec. 3 | Stanley Sgo, | 2 | 6 | |
| 5 | Cornelius J. Roche, | 36 | | |
| 9 | Julia Migarah, | | two hours | |
| 16 | Annie M. Coe, | 76 | 11 | 10 |
| 19 | Sarah L. Cheney, | 66 | 1 | 15 |
| 19 | Marie R. Godette, | | 1 | 12 |
| 20 | Wladyslaw Bigos, | | 1 | |
| 21 | Clotilde Forrest, | 30 | | |
| 24 | Tenesor Smotor, | 21 | | |
| 24 | _____ | | still born | |
| 26 | Grace O. Parsons, | 6 | 10 | 11 |
| 28 | Delia Bovat, | 45 | | |
| 31 | Herbert Chamberlain, | 52 | | |

Selectmen's Report.

CONTINGENCIES.

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| Appropriation— | \$3,300.00 |
| J. F. Foley, recording births, marriages and deaths, services as registrar, postage and express, 1908 and 1909, | \$420.40 |
| The Palmer Journal, town warrants, reports, adv., etc., | 359.85 |
| Ye Bay Path Printery, envelopes, blanks, etc., | 56.50 |
| Forest fires, | 433.29 |
| D. E. Marcy, use of hearse for March, 1909, delivering ballot boxes, etc., | 31.75 |
| Palmer Water Co., water for watering tank, | 8.00 |
| S. H. Hellyar, balance amount of bonds, | 45.00 |
| Jas. Summers, labor at engine house and repairs, | 20.35 |
| Cemetery Commissioners, opening graves, in March, 1909, | 4.00 |
| French Catholic Society, opening graves, back account, | 38.00 |
| C. E. Shumway, delivering ballot boxes, | 2.00 |
| Chas. B. Thomas, police service, | 30.40 |
| Jas. J. Manning, police service, delivering ballot boxes, serving notices, etc., | 43.00 |
| Timothy J. Crimmins, police service, delivering ballot boxes, serving notices, etc., | 11.50 |
| George A. Bills, police service, serving town warrants, | 34.00 |
| Herbert A. Northrop, police service, | 13.00 |
| Edw. F. McKelligott, “ | 9.00 |

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| Michael Collins, police service, | \$ 9.00 |
| The Rockwell & Churchill Press, license blanks, | 5.40 |
| Chas. S. Ruggles, placing booths, | 1.00 |
| St. Mary's Total Abstinence Society, use of hall and setting up booths, | 7.00 |
| George S. Holden, use of auto, stationery, postage, etc., | 12.29 |
| B. Frank Emery, inspecting meat, | 81.25 |
| A. H. Bartlett, dog license books, | 3.00 |
| D. F. Dillon, services and expenses, | 39.10 |
| Settlement of Julia E. Barnes claim, | 100 00 |
| Library Bureau, holder for maps, | 4.25 |
| Hobbs & Warren Co., license blanks, etc., | 3.31 |
| Thorndike Co., supplying and repairing water- ing tub, | 9.13 |
| Walter L. Shaw, postmaster, stamped envelopes, | 21.24 |
| M. H. Davitt, inspecting meat and animals, | 49.00 |
| H. C. Cheney, M. D., returning births, | 9.50 |
| J. P. Schneider, M. D., returning births, | 8.25 |
| Freeman A. Smith, services as registrar, | 15.00 |
| George Barber, " " | 15.00 |
| Chas. H. Banister, " " | 15.00 |
| Henry W. Holbrook, use of auto, postage, telegrams, expense to Boston, | 12.85 |
| R. E. Cummings, postage, supplies, etc., account of assessors, | 17.56 |
| T. W. Kenefick, services as town counsel and expense, | 252.55 |
| T. A. Harwood, cleaning selectmen's room, | 2.00 |
| S. R. Carsley, M. D., returning births, | 5.25 |
| Joseph Belanger, returning deaths, | 18.25 |
| M. F. Sullivan, returning deaths, | 4.75 |
| Lynde & Gould, stationery, | 1.40 |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, paint and brush, | .25 |
| C. H. Giroux, M. D., returning births, | 22.00 |
| E. F. Sullivan, M. D., returning births, | 2.25 |
| H. H. Paine, burial agent, burial of soldiers and widows, | 148.00 |

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| Oliver & Howland Co., material, account of fire department, | \$ 2.88 |
| Freeman H. Sanborn, boiler inspection, | 5.00 |
| Chas. H. Keith, inspecting meat and animals, | 130.00 |
| E. P. Brown, labor and expense as milk in- specter, | 33.25 |
| S. O. Miller, M. D., returning births, | 6.25 |
| Central Vermont Ry. Co., rental of pipe lines, | 2.00 |
| Boston Daily Advertiser, bond adv., | 24.00 |
| L. E. Chandler, photos, | 6.00 |
| W. H. Brainerd, precinct blue print, | 1.00 |
| W. F. Waite, rubber stamp, etc., | 3.75 |
| Teles P. Bousquet, care of Town House and supplies, | 12.21 |
| P. B. Murphy, blanks for assessors, | 3.25 |
| A. W. W. Lloyd, strap for assessors' map, | .30 |
| C. N. Ellithorpe & Son, repairs library build- ing and Main street bench, | 17.04 |
| Johnson's Bookstore, supplies, | 1.65 |
| Springfield Printing & Binding Co., collector's books, | 17.50 |
| F. F. Marcy, material at engine house, | 14.50 |
| Frank LaPlant, supply watering tub, | 5.00 |
| Robert Johnstone, supply watering tub, | 5.00 |
| Harold W. Brainerd, supply watering tub, | 5.00 |
| Palmer Steamer Co. No. 1, erecting booths, | 4.00 |
| A. W. Brownell, blanks for assessors, | 9.00 |
| H. A. Smith, M. D., returning births, | 6.25 |
| | ————— \$2,769.70 |

BOARD OF HEALTH.

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| Appropriation— | \$1,000.00 |
| The Emerson Laboratory, examination of diph- theria cases and expense, | \$151.25 |
| J. P. Schneider, M. D., telephone, express and stationery, | 7.07 |
| Chas. D. Holden, supplies to pest house, | 4.85 |
| Ye Bay Path Printery, license blanks, | 2.50 |

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| Arthur LaPlant, board and care of patients, | \$ 47.46 | |
| American Express Co., express charges, | 9.50 | |
| City of Fall River, medical aid to Edward Lebeau, | .20 | |
| H. H. Paine, fumigating and carfares, | 39.10 | |
| Walcott-Cameron Co., goods to pest house, | 12.50 | |
| Boston Duck Co., blankets to pest house, | 14.00 | |
| Palmer Trucking Co., trucking, | 2.85 | |
| City of Springfield, | 27.72 | |
| C. H. Giroux, M. D., services to Marguerita Fortuna, | 3.00 | |
| Bay State Drug Co., merchandise, | 29.41 | |
| D. J. Sugrue, quarantine charges, | 54.00 | |
| Adelard Murray, " " | 21.33 | |
| George Matthews, " " | 24.00 | |
| F. N. Carpenter, services as clerk, | 25.00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$475.74 |

NIGHT POLICE.

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| Appropriation— | | \$1,600.00 |
| Timothy J. Crimmins, services, | \$399.96 | |
| Edw. F. McKelligott, " " | 399.96 | |
| Jas. J. Manning, " " | 373.08 | |
| M. J. Sullivan Jr., " " | 26.88 | |
| Michael Collins, " " | 399.96 | |
| | | <hr/> \$1,599.84 |

LIGHTING STREETS.

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| Appropriation— | | \$4,715.00 |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., | \$4,661.83 | |

NEW SIDEWALKS.

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| Appropriation— | | \$500.00 |
| John W. Rochford, material and construction, | \$380.35 | |
| Rufus Flynt, allowance on cement walk, | 20.00 | |
| H. W. Brainerd, surveying, | 12.00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$412.35 |

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

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| Appropriation— | | \$500.00 |
| Cemetery Commissioners' orders, | \$1,404.14 | |

STREET SIGNS.

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| Appropriation— | | \$100.00 |
| The American Sign Co., signs, | \$ 26.00 | |
| James Summers, labor and material, | 1.50 | |
| Wright Wire Co., pipe, | 3.00 | |
| Palmer Trucking Co., trucking, | .91 | |
| C. W. Johnson, labor and material, | 15.20 | |
| | | <hr/> \$46.61 |

CARE AND RENT OF LOCKUP.

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| Appropriation— | | \$230.00 |
| Worcester County Gas Co., rent, | \$129.96 | |
| James Knox, care, | 96.00 | |
| | | <hr/> \$225.96 |

BONDS OF TOWN OFFICERS.

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| Appropriation— | | \$145.00 |
| S. H. Hellyar, bonds, | \$145.00 | |

MEMORIAL DAY.

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| Appropriation— | | \$100.00 |
| L. L. Merrick G. A. R. Post, | \$100.00 | |

NORTH MAIN STREET SEWER.

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| Appropriation— | | \$18,00.00 |
| LeGro & Lyon, pipe, | \$311.02 | |
| Boston and Albany R. R. Co., freight, | 262.09 | |
| Boston and Albany R. R. Co., labor and damages in going under tracks, | 24.19 | |
| Fred H. Smith, land damage, | 50.00 | |

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| Kate I. McMahon and Rose Boyd, land damage, | \$ 25.00 | |
| C. W. Johnson, cash on account, | 200.00 | |
| Wm. Lawton, inspecting, | 17.50 | |
| H. S. Hobson, inspecting, | 22.50 | |
| W. H. Brainerd, services and expenses, | 38.88 | |
| | <hr/> | \$951.18 |

PRECINCT OFFICERS AND POLLING PLACES.

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| Appropriation— | | \$250.00 |
| Precinct officers and polling places, | \$200.00 | |

NEW STONE ARCH BRIDGE.

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| Appropriation— | | \$3,500.00 |
| W. N. Flynt Granite Co., | \$3,500.00 | |

SUPPRESSION OF GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTH.

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| Appropriation— | | \$ 50.00 |
| Chas. H. Keith, labor and expense, | \$ 3.40 | |

ASSESSORS' MAPS.

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| Appropriation— | | \$400.00 |
| W. H. Brainerd, | \$400.00 | |

YOUNG MEN'S LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

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| Appropriation— | | \$1,500.00 |
| L. E. Chandler, treasurer, | \$1,500.00 | |

CLAIMS AGAINST THE TOWN.

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| Appropriation— | | \$300.00 |
| John T. McDonald, land damage on account of state highway, | \$100.00 | |
| Israel Harness, land damage on account of state highway, | 200.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$300.00 |

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

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| Appropriation— | | \$2,440.00 |
| Auditors, | \$ 40.00 | |
| Tax Collector, | 443.39 | |
| Assessors, | 550.00 | |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures, | 200.00 | |
| Tree Warden, | 100.00 | |
| Board of Health, | 100.00 | |
| Town Treasurer, | 300.00 | |
| Secretary Cemetery Commissioners, | 100.00 | |
| Selectmen, | 450.00 | |
| Clerk, Board of Selectmen, | 100.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,383.39 |

PAVING MAIN STREET.

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| Appropriation— | | \$10,000.00 |
| Total amount paid by Town Treasurer on paving account, | | \$13,939.95 |
| Received from W. F. Fillmore, for labor and expense on scales, | \$ 44.94 | |
| Received from Springfield St. Ry. Co., | 3,987.39 | |
| Amount due from Springfield St. Ry. Co., | 45.30 | |
| 5000 block on hand at \$29 per 1000, | 145.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,222.63 |
| Actual cost to town, | | <hr/> \$9,717.32 |

RECAPITULATION.

| | Appropriation. | Expenditures |
|---------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Contingencies, | \$3,300.00 | \$2,769.70 |
| Board of health, | 1,000.00 | 475.74 |
| Night police, | 1,600.00 | 1,599.84 |
| Street lights, | 4,715.00 | 4,661.83 |
| New sidewalks, | 500.00 | 412.35 |
| Cemetery Commissioners, | 500.00 | *1,404.14 |
| Street signs, | 100.00 | 46.61 |
| Care and rent of lock-up, | 230.00 | 225.96 |

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| Bonds of town officers, | \$ 145.00 | \$ 145.00 |
| Memorial Day, | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| North Main street sewer, | 1,800.00 | 951.18 |
| Precinct officers and polling places, | 250.00 | 200.00 |
| New stone arch bridge, | 3,500.00 | 3,500.00 |
| Suppression of gypsy and brown tail'moth, | 50.00 | 3.40 |
| Assessors' maps, | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| Young Men's Library Association, | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Claims against the town, | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Salaries of town officers, | 2,440.00 | 2,383.39 |
| Paving Main street, | 10,000.00 | †13,939.95 |
| | | <u>\$35,019.09</u> |

*This amount represents the total expenditures of the Cemetery Commission, receipts from cemeteries in addition to the appropriation.

†This amount represents the total amount expended in paving Main street and includes the town's share, the Street Railway's share, etc., as per paving report above.

Owing to the unfortunate accident to C. W. Johnson, to whom the contract for the North Main street sewer was let, the work has not yet been completed, and we would recommend that the balance of the appropriation be reappropriated for the completion of the work. A small portion of the above appropriation was used for carting pipe and appears on the payrolls of the Highway Surveyor instead of those of the Selectmen.

A portion of the appropriation for new sidewalks also appears on the payrolls of the Highway Surveyor instead of those of the Selectmen.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

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| Contingencies, | \$3,300.00 |
| Precinct officers and polling places, | 250.00 |
| Care and rent of lock-up, | 230.00 |

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| HENRY W. HOLBROOK, | } Selectmen of Palmer. |
| WILLIAM LAWTON, | |
| GEORGE S. HOLDEN, | |

Highway Surveyor's Report.

PALMER, FEB. 15, 1910.

To the Voters of the Town of Palmer : —

The money for the care of the Highways of the Town has been expended as follows : The section east and north of Palmer Center, including what is known as "Hog Hill," \$600 ; in Bondsville and the section north of E. G. Hastings' farm, \$480 ; Thorndike, \$230 ; Three Rivers, including " Baptist Hill," \$800 ; in the Palmer section, \$1,388.54. This includes \$281 expended on King and Randall streets, for which there was, at a later meeting, a special appropriation made. The above amounts, with \$402, the pay of the Highway Surveyor, equals \$3,900.54, the amount expended on the highways of the town the past year, leaving a balance of \$380.46.

Sewer and Culvert appropriation, \$1000 ; expended \$868.45, leaving a balance of \$131.55. I expended in Thorndike \$200 in laying about 400 feet of new sewer with four catch basins on the road leading to Bondsville, and \$40 in cleaning the sewer on Main street. In Three Rivers three catch basins have been added to the list ; at Palmer Center about 100 feet of 12-in. drain has been put in to take surface water ; in the Depot Village the sewer on Converse street has been cleaned of sand, also the one on River street, and several catch basins have been added to the list.

Bridge appropriation, \$1000 ; expended \$506.38, leaving a balance of \$493.62. The Fay bridge has received an entire new floor ; the Dutton and some of the smaller bridges have been planked ; the bridge on South Main street at Tenneyville has been repaired with a reinforced concrete floor.

Railings appropriation, \$400 ; expended \$209, leaving a balance of \$191.

Holbrook street sewer appropriation, \$300. Orders have been

drawn on this account for \$326.49. A rebate should be allowed this account of \$28.35. The first car load of pipe contained all the 8-inch pipe for North Main and Holbrook streets; credit the Holbrook street sewer with the balance of the 8-inch for the North Main street sewer, and we have a balance of \$1.86.

Repairs of Sidewalks appropriation, \$1000; expended \$858.11, leaving a balance of \$141.89. All the work of repairs of tar walks has been in Palmer and Thorndike. A large part of the repairs of tar walks this year should be in Thorndike, Three Rivers and Bondsville.

New Sidewalk at Bondsville appropriation, \$100; expended \$69.75, balance, \$30.25.

Highway Surveyors' orders for \$23 have been paid out of the North Main street sewer appropriation for teaming of the pipe; also \$69 has been paid out of the appropriation for new sidewalks, for grading. One of the greatest needs of the Highway department in the Depot village is a gravel bank. Land can be bought of Mr. Chalk at Tenneyville beside the electric road, the crushing plant set up, and the gravel delivered in many parts of the town on the road where needed. The use of the highways at the present time are such that some other way of improving them should be adopted than by the use of the road scraper.

Nearly all of the main roads of the town can be very much improved by the use of gravel. The road from Four Corners to Thorndike can be very improved with a coat of gravel, also the road from the Point of Rocks toward Palmer. The road from Palmer Center, past the Town Farm to the residence of Mr. J. W. Foley, needs a coat of gravel; the road at the present time is a very sandy one, and it is one of the main roads of the town. There are also other roads that might be mentioned, but perhaps I have named as many as you will wish to provide the funds for their improvement this year. Be as generous as possible with the Highway department, so that your Highway Surveyor may be able to say to you at the end of the year, such and such roads are *better than one year ago*.

I would recommend the following appropriations :

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| Highways, | \$6,000 |
| Sewers and Culverts, | 1,000 |
| Bridges, | 800 |
| Repair of Tar Walks, | 1,000 |
| Ash Walks, | 500 |
| Railings, | 250 |

Respectfully Submitted,

CHAS. T. BRAINERD, Highway Surveyor.

INVENTORY OF TOOLS.

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Road Scraper. | 6 Iron Rakes. |
| 3 Plows. | 3 Scoop Shovels. |
| 2 Iron Bars. | 1 Hand Ax. |
| 1 Spade. | 2 Bush Scythes and Snath. |
| 18 Picks. | 2 Hoes. |
| 24 Shovels. | 4 Signs. |
| 24 Lanterns. | 1 Steel Root Cutter. |
| 2 Iron Tampers. | 1 Branding Iron. |
| 1 Steam Boiler and Engine. | 1 Set Bins and Screens. |
| 1 National Crusher. | 1 Steam Pump. |
| 6 Snow Shovels. | 1 Water Tank. |

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

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| 8½ lbs. $\frac{3}{8}$ Rope. | 40 Felton's Couplings and Rods. |
| 2 Rattan Brooms. | 1 Gouge for Sewer Cleaning. |
| 1 Conduit Scoop. | 1 Conduit Wire Brush. |
| 400 ft. $\frac{3}{8}$ in. Wire Cable. | 400 ft. Couplings and Rods. |
| 400 ft. $\frac{3}{8}$ in. Rope. | 2 Sewer Hoes. |

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

The Overseers of the Poor present the following report and recommend these appropriations for 1910 and 1911 :

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| Support of Poor, | \$7,000 |
| Overseers' salaries, | 400 |
| Contingent fund, | 500 |
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| | \$7,900 |

TOWN FARM.

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|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Benjamin Freeman, salary, | \$ 600.00 |
| A. H. Gates, labor, | 25.00 |
| A. F. Goodrua, labor, | 25.00 |
| S. H. Hellyar, insurance, | 42.50 |
| A. W. Warriner & Co., insurance, | 60.00 |
| New England Tel. and Tel. Co., phone, | 27.12 |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., lights, | 69.39 |
| Bay State Drug Co., drugs, | 18.96 |
| The Quimby Pharmacy, drugs, | 4.10 |
| Lynde & Gould, drugs, | 17.33 |
| LeGro & Lyon, work, | 6.35 |
| F. W. Lyons, work, | 17.96 |
| Fred Thompson, supplies, | 5.24 |
| W. F. Fillmore, grain and coal, | 432.73 |
| A. D. Thomas, grain, | 104.45 |
| J. W. Miller, grain, | 109.95 |
| J. J. Kelley, supplies, | 418.79 |
| W. E. Stone & Son, supplies, | 153.50 |
| M. Lawlor & Co., supplies, | 57.22 |
| Barber & Dupraw, supplies, | 366.92 |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, supplies, | 60.41 |

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| Walcott-Cameron Co., supplies, | \$ 12.09 | |
| C. D. Holden, supplies, | 42.36 | |
| Palmer Fruit Co., supplies, | 11.92 | |
| C. J. Bailey & Co., supplies, | 2.20 | |
| E. S. Brooks, supplies, | 2.00 | |
| E. Goodes, supplies, | 38.50 | |
| E. M. Leonard, supplies, | 8.88 | |
| Dr. C. H. Giroux, | 24.00 | |
| James Summers, labor, | 4.40 | |
| C. K. Gamwell, supplies, | 16.75 | |
| F. J. Hamilton, supplies, | 118.54 | |
| A. W. Lloyd, work, | 4.25 | |
| D. L. Bodfish, supplies, | 54.16 | |
| Miss Heaney, burial, | 62.00 | |
| J. F. Foley, supplies, | 59.33 | |
| E. B. Taylor, supplies, | 1.35 | |
| Clark & Hastings, supplies, | 1.64 | |
| C. N. Ellithorpe & Son, supplies, | 16.32 | |
| M. J. Moynahan, work, | 5.55 | |
| American Harrow Co., supplies, | 29.38 | |
| Teles P. Bosquet, supplies, | 43.10 | |
| S. H. Hellyar, supplies, | 9.38 | |
| Gale Bros., supplies, | 24.40 | |
| Palmer Journal, subscription, | 1.75 | |
| G. W. Sherman, pasturing, | 16.15 | |
| Thorndike Grain Co., grain, | 64.90 | |
| | — — — | \$3,298.57 |

RECEIPTS AT FARM.

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| Balance from 1909, | \$ 20.53 |
| Received for eggs, | 63.34 |
| Butter, | 268.50 |
| Vegetables, | 17.39 |
| Potatoes, | 68.24 |
| Hay, | 63.50 |
| Pork, | 100.94 |

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| Received for Poultry, | \$ 52.91 | |
| Veal, | 58.62 | |
| Beef, | 35.00 | |
| Dump Cart, | 10.00 | |
| Fertilizer, | 5.30 | |
| Labor, | 12.00 | |
| Board of Wm. Saunders, | 3.00 | |
| F. Korff, | 66.96 | |
| W. Taft, | 180.00 | |
| B. McGowan, | 154.00 | |
| A. Bernash, | 192.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,372.23 |

PAID OUT BY WARDEN.

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|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Paid Town Treasurer, | \$1,059.75 | |
| Labor in house, | 60.00 | |
| Electric light company, | 10.56 | |
| Telephone exchange, | 2.30 | |
| Sundry supplies, | 50.26 | |
| Grass and garden seeds, | 10.33 | |
| Shrubs, | 1.50 | |
| Extension ladder, | 7.00 | |
| Settees, | 2.50 | |
| Slaughtering, | 5.50 | |
| P. Trumbull, bill, | 17.35 | |
| Besse, Carpenter Co., | 12.00 | |
| M. Sullivan, supplies, | 73.60 | |
| Disinfectant, | 4.90 | |
| Eggs for hatching, | 8.00 | |
| E. M. Leonard, | 5.38 | |
| A. H. Gates, | 13.51 | |
| Balance carried to 1910, | 27.79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,372.23 |

COST OF MAINTAINING TOWN FARM.

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| Orders drawn on Town Farm, account, | \$3,298.57 |
| Paid from Town Farm receipts, | 284.69 |
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| | \$3,583.26 |
| Income at Town Farm, | 13,72.23 |
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| Net cost of Town Farm, | \$2,211.03 |
| Number registered through the year, | 27 |
| Boarders, | 4 |
| Inmates, | 23 |
| Greatest number at any one time, | 19 |
| Smallest number at any one time, | 13 |
| Average number, | 14 39-52 |
| Number of week's board furnished boarders, | 175 2-7 |
| Number of week's board furnished inmates, | 767 |
| Cost per week of inmates, | \$2.88 |
| Males 17, Females 6. Deaths, 1 Male, 1 Female. | |

INVENTORY TOWN FARM, 1910.

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| Live stock, | \$1,103.00 |
| Hay and grain, | 559.25 |
| Vegetables, | 330.50 |
| Coal, wood and lumber, | 368.75 |
| Wagon and tools, | 504.80 |
| Furniture and fixtures, | 941.40 |
| Clothing supplies, | 25.75 |
| Provision supplies, | 119.62 |
| Table ware and crockery, | 123.80 |
| Drugs and medicine, | 12.50 |
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| | \$4,089.37 |
| 1909 Inventory, | 3,736.84 |
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| Increase, | \$ 352.53 |

OUTSIDE POOR.

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| Dr. C. A. DeLand, attending Mrs. Cobley, | \$ 12.75 |
| James Wilson, supplies to Mrs. John Woick, | 38.56 |
| Town of Southwick, aid to Mrs. M. Alonzo, | 15.00 |

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| City of New Bedford, hospital care to Mrs. G. Dubois, | | \$ 20.00 |
| City of Waltham, medical aid to Mrs. Josephine Dubreill, | 2.50 | |
| City of Waltham, supplies to Mary Corcoran, | 3.00 | |
| " " Mary McCarty, | 63.85 | |
| Town of Ware, supplies to Mrs. T. Samson, | 59.36 | |
| " " Tuffield Gokey, | 47.00 | |
| City of Chicopee, supplies to Mayott family, 1908, | \$216.05 | |
| City of Chicopee, supplies to Mayott family, 1909, | 194.55 | 410.60 |
| City of Worcester, hospital care Catherine Comer, | 35.71 | |
| City of Worcester, hospital care Wm. H. Comer, | 74.29 | 110.00 |
| City of Springfield, supplies to Kate Cahill, | | 6.50 |
| City of Holyoke, supplies to Mrs. Geo. Vachom, | | 19.00 |
| City of Marlboro, aid and burial Mrs. C. Gamarch, | | 29.00 |
| Mercy Hospital, medical aid to James LaCross, | | 23.00 |
| Of the above \$10 has been paid by friends. | | |
| Springfield Hospital, aid Wm. Coleman, | 17.00 | |
| A. A. Warriner, cash advanced Wm. Coleman, | 10.00 | |
| J. J. Kelly, supplies Wm. Coleman, | 4.00 | |
| E. Goodes, supplies Wm. Coleman, | 4.25 | 35.25 |
| Clark & Hastings, supplies to Mrs. Galaska, | | 15.63 |
| W. E. Stone & Son, supplies to Fred Barber, | | 14.80 |
| Clark & Hastings, supplies to A. Blancard and wife, | | 130.00 |
| Clark & Hastings, supplies to Pat Riley, | 78.00 | |
| M. Lawlor & Co., " " | 78.00 | |
| Geo. Bengle, " " | 18.00 | 174.00 |
| C. W. Darling & Co., fuel, L. Balduc, | 10.95 | |
| W. F. Fillmore, fuel, L. Balduc, | 8.25 | |
| L. L. Dupuis Co., supplies, L. Balduc, | 104.00 | 123.20 |
| C. W. Darling & Co., fuel, T. Bleau, | 14.20 | |
| W. F. Fillmore, fuel, T. Bleau, | 7.50 | |

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| L. L. Dupuis Co., supplies, T. Bleau, | \$106.00 | \$127.70 |
| L. L. Dupuis Co., supplies, Hattie Young, | | 60.00 |
| E. B. Taylor, supplies, Mrs. Ida Place, | | 2.00 |
| M. R. Sullivan, supplies, Belisle children, | | 12.29 |
| C. W. Darling & Co., fuel, J. W. Long, | 19.50 | |
| W. F. Fillmore, fuel, J. W. Long, | 13.75 | |
| N. A. Senton, supplies, J. W. Long, | 156.00 | |
| A. W. Warriner, rent, J. W. Long, | 67.50 | 256.75 |
| E. H. Truesdell, supplies, George Lee, | 26.00 | |
| E. B. Taylor, supplies, George Lee, | 96.81 | 122.81 |
| Jane Colburn, care of E. Coddington, | | 60.00 |
| Mrs. E. J. Matterson, aid, cash, | 37.50 | |
| A. A. Warriner, taking Mrs. E. J. Matterson to hospital, | 2.90 | |
| D. E. Marcy, team, Mrs. E. J. Matterson, | 1.00 | |
| Mercy Hospital, care, Mrs. E. J. Matterson, | 25.00 | 66.40 |
| Mrs. W. O. Phelps, rent, Mary Scanlon, | | 96.00 |
| Brown Bros., supplies, P. Beauregard, | 223.63 | |
| Barber & Dupraw, supplies, P. Beauregard, | 36.00 | |
| Clark & Hastings, supplies, P. Beauregard, | 11.00 | |
| Bay State Drug Co., supplies, P. Beauregard, | .90 | 271.53 |
| Brown Bros., supplies, P. Carter, | | 56.94 |
| Town of Adams, supplies, Mrs. F. Russell, | | 78.00 |
| Brown Bros., supplies, Mary O'Brine, | | 88.00 |
| City of Fitchburg, supplies, Mrs. A. Labeau, | | 85.41 |
| Mrs. A. Labeau, cash, | | 168.00 |
| M. F. Lawlor & Co., supplies to P. Cadieux, | | 104.00 |
| E. B. Taylor, supplies to Mrs. J. Lyman, | 12.15 | |
| E. H. Truesdell, supplies to Mrs. J. Lyman, | 7.40 | |
| Mrs. J. Lyman, cash, | 70.00 | |
| Doane Orphanage, care of Lena Lyman, | 7.00 | 96.55 |
| Geo. Bengle, supplies to M. Suzdak, | | 16.00 |
| Clark & Hastings, supplies to A. Clang, | | 9.24 |
| O. A. Parent, supplies to B. McCarty, | 30.44 | |
| M. R. Sullivan, supplies to B. McCarty, | 38.14 | |
| Fisk & Arnold, supplies to B. McCarty, | 4.00 | 72.58 |
| Wilson Lawrence, rent, D. Bowen, | | 120.00 |
| Clark & Hastings, supplies, Fred Robinson, | | 10.00 |
| Town of Amherst, supplies, Mrs. Wier, | | 34.00 |

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| J. F. Holbrook, envelopes, | \$ 4.10 | |
| Dr. C. H. Giroux, | 24.00 | |
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| | | \$3,395.30 |

POOR BELONGING TO OTHER TOWNS AND CITIES.

EASTHAMPTON.

| | | |
|---|---------|----------|
| D. E. Marcy, team, Richard Wright, | \$ 1.00 | |
| Dr. C. H. Giroux, medical attendance and going to Springfield, Richard Wright, | 8.00 | |
| Mercy Hospital, case of Richard Wright, | 8.00 | |
| A. A. Warriner, cash paid out, Richard Wright | 3.05 | |
| L. A. Fountain, care Richard Wright, | 2.00 | |
| S. M. Phillips, burial Richard Wright, | 23.40 | |
| Cemetery Commissioners, opening grave for Richard Wright, | 3.00 | |
| Quimby Pharmacy, drugs, | .60 | \$ 49.05 |

TEMPLETON.

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| H. D. Converse, rent, Paul Florence. | \$ 16.00 | |
| E. B. Taylor, supplies, Paul Florence, | 24.00 | |
| Quimby Pharmacy, drugs, Paul Florence, | 6.60 | |
| Dr. C. H. Giroux, medical attendance, Paul Florence, | 9.00 | \$ 55 60 |

CITY OF HOLYOKE.

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| D. E. Marcy, hearse for Dennis Shea, | 3.00 | |
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CITY OF WORCESTER.

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| W. F. Fillmore, fuel, Mrs. Raymond, | \$ 10.25 | |
| C. W. Darling & Co., fuel, Mrs. Raymond, | 24.70 | |
| Barber & Dupree, supplies, Mrs. Raymond, | 104.00 | \$138.95 |

TOWN OF NORTON.

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| F. J. Hamilton, fuel, Mrs. Thompson, | \$31.00 | |
| H. D. Converse, rent, Mrs. Thompson, | 96.00 | |
| E. B. Taylor, supplies, Mrs. Thompson, | 61.97 | |
| Dr. C. H. Giroux, medical attendance, Mrs. Thompson, | 2.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$190.97 |

STATE.

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|---|----------|
| Nelson Fisher, cash, | \$52.50 |
| H. T. Bishop, cash, John Kowcana, | 8.00 |
| City of Marlboro, aid Exist Gamach, | 12.00 |
| Dr. J. P. Schneider, attending Jos. Zobisz, | 18.00 |
| Springfield Hospital, care Jos. Zobisz, | 29.00 |
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| | \$119.50 |

MISCELLANEOUS.

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|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Palmer Journal, advertising, | \$ 1.10 |
| Springfield Union, advertising, | 1.20 |
| Hobbs & Warren, blanks, | 1.13 |
| New England Tel. & Tel. Co., phones, | 50.16 |
| A. A. Warriner, cash advanced, | 16.90 |
| H. T. Bishop, cash advanced, | 4.65 |
| P. J. Crowley, labor, | 10.65 |
| T. Paulin, painting, | 339.30 |
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| | \$425.09 |

SALARIES.

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| H. T. Bishop, | \$138.00 |
| A. A. Warriner, | 138.00 |
| Patrick Crowley, | 134.00 |
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| | \$400.00 |

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriations for support of poor, | \$7,000.00 |
| Contingencies, | 600.00 |
| Overseers' salaries, | 400.00 |
| City of Worcester, | 282.41 |
| Town of Templeton, | 55.60 |
| Town of Hardwick, | 6.00 |
| Town of Easthampton, | 49.05 |
| State, | 250.54 |
| Jason L. Palmer, | 27.41 |

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| Account of James LaCross, | \$ 10.00 | |
| H. H. Paine, burial agent soldiers and sailors, | 3.00 | |
| Town Farm income, | 1,372.23 | |
| | <hr/> | \$10,056.24 |

PAYMENTS.

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Support of Poor on Town Farm, | \$3,298.57 | |
| Support of Poor not on Town Farm, | 3,395.30 | |
| Poor belonging to other towns and cities, | 437.57 | |
| Poor belonging to the State, | 119.50 | |
| Miscellaneous expenses, | 425.09 | |
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| Orders drawn on Town Treasurer, | \$7,676.03 | |
| Overdrawn, \$76.03 | | |
| Town Farm expenses paid by Warden, | 284.69 | |
| Overseers' salaries, | 400.00 | \$8,360.72 |
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| Balance, | | \$1,695.52 |

BILLS DUE THE TOWN.

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| Norton, | \$219.13 |
| Lowell, | 38.15 |
| Worcester, | 14.40 |
| State, | 99.00 |

NET COST.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Paid for support of poor, | | \$8,360.72 |
| Received from other towns and cities, | \$393.06 | |
| Received from the state, | 250.54 | |
| Received from individuals, | 40.41 | |
| Due from other cities and towns, | 332.53 | |
| Due from the state, | 99.00 | |
| Cash from Town Farm, | 1,059.75 | |
| Paint and painting farm buildings, | 339.30 | \$2,514.59 |
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| | | \$5,846.13 |

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| HARRY T. BISHOP, | } Overseers of the Poor. |
| A. A. WARRINER, | |
| PATRICK CROWLEY, | |

Cemetery Commissioners' Report.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1910.

In submitting their annual report the Cemetery Commissioners would call attention to the success of the present method of caring for our cemeteries both from practical and financial standpoint.

Taking advantage of the extension of King street we secured about 200 loads of loam which is stored for future use. We have laid about 325 yards of paved gutter in the cemetery at Palmer and have hardened and repaired the driveways where needed.

The undeveloped land at Four Corners has been graded and seeded and ash roads have been built. The perpetual care fund has been materially increased and there has been a gain in the lots having annual care. The fire loss has been adjusted.

The coming year the lots in Four Corners cemetery should be relocated and marked with permanent markers.

Further grading should be done and the ash roads extended as a preventative against fire. Some necessary work should be done in the cemeteries at Palmer Center and Three Rivers, that these ancient burying grounds be preserved.

There is an increasing interest in our cemeteries which argues well for the future.

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| Appropriation, 1909, from treasury, | \$500.00 |
| Appropriation, 1909, earnings, | 940.24 |
| Sale of lots, Depot Village, | 199.00 |
| Sale of lots, Four Corners, | 96.00 |
| Fire award, Boston & Albany, | 37.70 |
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| | \$1,772.94 |

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| Paid for labor, H. M. Bliss, previous to March meeting, | \$ 9.50 |
| Paid for labor, orders drawn, | 1,404.14 |
| Paid J. F. Holbrook, sale lots, | 295.00 |
| Paid J. F. Holbrook, fire award, | 37.70 |
| Balance in treasury, | 26.60 |
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| | \$1,772.94 |

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| Received from earnings, | \$940.24 |
| Received from fire award, | 37.70 |
| Received from lots, | 295.00 |
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| | \$1,272.94 |

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| Paid H. M. Bliss, | \$ 9.50 |
| Paid J. F. Holbrook, earnings, | 930.74 |
| Paid J. F. Holbrook, lots, | 295.00 |
| Paid J. F. Holbrook, fire award, | 37.70 |
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| | \$1,272.94 |

DUE FOR LOTS.

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| Agnes M. Colgrove, uncollectable, | \$ 7.00 |
| Arthur Cummings, 1909, | 8.00 |
| Damon, 1909, | 8.00 |

DUE FOR LABOR.

| | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| S. M. Phillips (state), | \$5.00 |
| L. Bosquet, care lot, | 2.00 |
| Harry Bond, care lot | 3.00 |
| B. M. Griswold, care lot, | 1.50 |

RECEIPTS.

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|--------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation, 1909, | \$500.00 |
| Appropriation, earnings. | |
| Grading lots, | \$122.45 |
| Opening graves, | 184.50 |
| Care private lots, | 206.75 |

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| Building foundations, | \$ 77.59 | |
| P. C. Fund, | 310.25 | |
| Trimming graves, | 19.00 | |
| Extra labor, | 18.70 | |
| Hay, | 1.00 | \$940.24 |
| Sale of lots : | | |

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| J. M. Otis, | \$ 8.00 | |
| Joseph Harrison, | 8.00 | |
| J. W. Mitton, balance, | 15.00 | |
| P. C. Story, | 16.00 | |
| T. H. Esten, | 24.00 | |
| C. A. and C. N. Ellithorpe, | 24.00 | |
| William Phillips, | 8.00 | |
| William Sinclair, | 8.00 | |
| A. S. Geer, | 8.00 | |
| G. M. Atkins, difference, | 30.00 | |
| O. B. Smith, | 16.00 | |
| Alfred K. Shaw, | 8.00 | |
| H. R. Paine, adm., | 50.00 | |
| W. J. Allen, | 8.00 | |
| Mrs. L. G. Parker, | 8.00 | |
| F. W. Hollingsworth, balance, | 6.00 | |
| Mrs. Elizabeth D. Moore, | 8.00 | |
| C. J. Sullivan, | 8.00 | |
| Mrs. A. J. Thomas, | 24.00 | |
| Single graves, | 10.00 | \$ 295.00 |
| Fire awards, | | 37.70 |
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| | | \$1,772.94 |

EXPENDITURES.

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| Mrs. C. Lawler, water, etc., | \$ 5.18 |
| S. H. Wright, sharpening mowers, | 3.20 |
| Allbright & Light Cap Co., markers, | 14.00 |
| J. K. Barker, survey, | 11.90 |
| W. F. Fillmore, supplies, | 2.00 |
| E. Brown Co., supplies, | 31.90 |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, supplies, | 71.07 |

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| C. R. Fish & Co., trees, | \$ 2.00 | |
| Palmer Journal, printing, | 8.75 | |
| D. L. Bodfish, postage and express, | 5.09 | |
| S. Harrington, ashes, | 47.36 | |
| L. Chevalier, loam, | 3.50 | |
| J. S. Knox & Co., plants, | 7.50 | |
| S. M. Phillips, | 2.00 | \$215.45 |
| H. M. Bliss, labor, | 339.55 | |
| J. L. Dean, labor, | 310.10 | |
| J. Merriam, labor, | 43.20 | |
| M. Williams, labor, | 15.10 | |
| G. H. Lamb, labor, | 7.50 | |
| G. W. Moon, labor, | 2.69 | |
| A. J. Ryder, labor, | 9.30 | |
| T. A. Harwood, labor, | 8.25 | |
| F. B. Ramsden, labor, | 10.60 | |
| M. St. John, labor, | 4.45 | |
| M. Neilson, labor, | 17.50 | |
| C. H. Keith, labor, | 8.70 | |
| McLean & Carrick, labor, | 14.10 | |
| J. M. Allen with team, labor, | 28.50 | |
| Palmer Trucking Co., labor, | 220.45 | |
| J. Lawler & Sons, labor, | 28.00 | |
| C. Leary, labor, | 93.00 | |
| D. E. Marcy, with team, | 14.00 | |
| S. H. Brown, with team, | 13.70 | \$1,188.69 |
| H. M. Bliss, previous to last meeting, | 9.50 | 9.50 |
| J. F. Holbrook, lots, | | 295.00 |
| J. F. Holbrook, fire award, | | 37.70 |
| Balance in treasury, | | 26.60 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,772.94 |

PERPETUAL CARE FUND.

| Name. | Amount. | Present condition |
|------------------|----------|-------------------|
| Louisa Waid, | \$200.00 | 221.83 |
| John A. Squier, | 100.00 | 105.32 |
| Waterman Fuller, | 200.00 | 225.25 |

| Name. | Amount. | Present condition |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| John and Lucy Smith, | \$ 200.00 | \$ 216.25 |
| John H. Haynes, | 200.00 | 226.83 |
| W. A. Breckenridge, | 200.00 | 211.83 |
| Laura E. Child, | 500.00 | 512.17 |
| Henry Scism, | 100.00 | 106.32 |
| Jane A. Gibson, | 100.00 | 105.61 |
| Calesta E. Hendricks, | 100.00 | 107.69 |
| Keyes Foster, | 100.00 | 102.39 |
| James W. Snow, | 100.00 | 102.11 |
| A. W. Green, | 200.00 | 219.25 |
| Pliney Cooley, | 50.00 | 51.29 |
| H. G. Loomis, | 200.00 | 219.96 |
| Maria Lawrence, | 500.00 | 533.25 |
| William Holbrook, | 200.00 | 213.78 |
| Torrey Fund, | 100.00 | 106.90 |
| E. B. Gates, | 50.00 | 52.99 |
| Franklin Blanchard, | 100.00 | 104.32 |
| Minnie K. Bennett, | 200.00 | 204.78 |
| Mary A. Shaw, | 100.00 | 106.32 |
| Amos A. Allen, | 100.00 | 102.97 |
| Harriet Coolidge, | 200.00 | 214.96 |
| Mrs. L. W. Brown, | 200.00 | 214.02 |
| Eliza J. Kenerson, | 200.00 | 205.05 |
| William Merriam, | 200.00 | 212.63 |
| Mary Redding, | 50.00 | 51.00 |
| D. S. Davis, | 200.00 | 207.89 |
| A. M. Andrews, | 200.00 | 207.00 |
| Marshal Andrews, | 200.00 | 210.00 |
| Enos Calkins, | 100.00 | 104.00 |
| Samuel C. Rogers, | 200.00 | 210.00 |
| Willard G. Kenerson, | 100.00 | 102.00 |
| Maria B. Chapman, | 200.00 | 208.00 |
| Maria B. Chapman (Barker), | 100.00 | 103.00 |
| Julia H. Henry, | 100.00 | 103.00 |
| Isaac King, | 150.00 | 155.00 |
| Abel H. Calkins, | 100.00 | 101.00 |
| E. C. Sexton, | 100.00 | 101.00 |
| Henry A. Moore, | 100.00 | 101.00 |

| Name. | Amount. | Present condition |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| J. S. Koster, | \$ 100.00 | \$ 101.00 |
| Melissa Hall, | 150.00 | 151.00 |
| Jeremiah Long, | 1,000.00 | 1,020.00 |
| Mary J. Plympton, | 100.00 | 103.00 |
| Clymena P. Fuller, | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| Abigail T. Nichols, | 50.00 | 51.00 |
| Mary Hastings, | 100.00 | 101.00 |
| Oren B. Smith, | 200.00 | 202.00 |
| Oren B. Smith, T. B. Smith, | 100.00 | 101.00 |
| Laura P. Green, | 100.00 | 101.00 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$8,650.00 | \$9,050.96 |

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| Gain in perpetual care fund, | \$550.00 |
| Cemetery Commissioners, interest fund, | 127.44 |

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY IN CEMETERIES.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Tool house, Palmer, | \$ 75.00 |
| Tool house, Four Corners, | 50.00 |
| Tools, | 50.00 |
| Balance, unused land, est. value, | 1,200.00 |
| Four Corners, unused land, est. value, | 100.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,475.00 |

DAVID L. BODFISH, } Cemetery
F. M. RALTON, } Commissioners.

Assessors' Report.

The Board of Assessors respectfully present the following report to February 15, 1910:

| | |
|--|-------------|
| State tax, | \$ 5,040.00 |
| County tax, | 4,010.89 |
| Town tax, | 67,830.00 |
| State highway tax, | 263.00 |
| Maturing Town Bonds, | 6,600.00 |
| Interest, | 3,800.00 |
| Overlay, | 3,352.97 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$90,896.86 |
| Estimated receipts, | \$11,000.00 |
| Liquor license fees, | 8,928.00 |
| Amount appropriated from treasury, | 3,728.30 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$23,656.30 |
| Amount to be raised by taxation, | <hr/> |
| | \$67,240.56 |
| Non-resident bank tax, | 870.00 |
| Amount of warrant, | 68,110.56 |
| Taxes since added to Collector's book, | 20.24 |
| Springfield & Eastern excise tax, | 542.69 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$68,673.49 |
| Amount of abatements to collector, | 894.49 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$67,779.00 |

CAUSES FOR POLL TAX, ABATEMENT TAX OF 1909.

| | |
|------------|-----------|
| Left town, | 271 |
| Dead, | 8 |
| Poor, | 13 |
| Error, | 15 |
| | <hr/> 307 |

TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Personal estate, | \$1,281,164 | |
| 420 shares resident bank stock, | 42,000 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,323,164 |
| Buildings, | \$2,045,645 | |
| Land, | 809,107 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,854,752 |
| Total valuation, | | <hr/> \$4,177,916 |
| Number of assessed polls, 2285. | | |
| Tax rate \$15 per \$1000. | | |
| Number of horses assessed, | | 471 |
| Cows assessed, | | 676 |
| Sheep assessed, | | 3 |
| Neat cattle assessed, | | 114 |
| Swine assessed, | | 79 |
| Fowl assessed, | | 868 |
| Dwelling houses, | | 1,009 |
| Acres of land, | | 18,536 |

In accordance with a vote taken at the last annual town meeting the assessors have procured an excellent map of the villages of Thorndike and Bondsville, the work of William H. Brainerd, civil engineer.

We recommend that a similar map of the village of Three Rivers be obtained during the coming year which we are advised can be had at a cost approximating \$350.

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|-------------------|--------------|
| ROY E. CUMMINGS, | } Assessors. |
| HARRY T. BISHOP, | |
| JOHN O. HAMILTON, | |

FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1909.

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Salaries, Firemen, | \$ 610.00 |
| “ Chief Engineer, | 200.00 |
| “ 1st Assistant Engineer, | 100.00 |
| “ 2nd Assistant Engineer, | 75.00 |
| “ Clerk of Steamer, | 10.00 |
| Stoker, | 30.00 |
| Coal, | 40.00 |
| Clerk and Treasurer, | 30.00 |
| Bond for Treasurer, | 10.00 |
| Contingencies, | 450.00 |
| Water rent, | 1,260.00 |
| Fire patrol, | 250.00 |
| Supt. fire alarm, | 75.00 |
| Janitor engine house, | 96.00 |
| Telephone, | 25.00 |
| New fire alarm box, | 100.00 |
| Interest, | 50.00 |
| Note, Palmer Savings Bank, | 1,030.00 |
| Engineer of Steamer, | 75.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,516.00 |
| Overlay, | 205.07 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,721.07 |

VALUATION, 1909.

| | |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Personal estate, | \$ 469,403.00 |
| Real estate, | 1,418,734.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,888,137.00 |
| Rate per \$1000, \$2.50. | |

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|-------------------|--------------|
| ROY E. CUMMINGS, | } Assessors. |
| HARRY T. BISHOP. | |
| JOHN O. HAMILTON, | |

Tax Collector's Report.

1908.

| | | |
|--|----------|-----------|
| Amount on Assessors' book uncollected, | | \$ 121.27 |
| Amount added, | | 14.00 |
| Paid Treasurer, | \$129.98 | |
| Abatements, | 5.29 | |

| | |
|----------|----------|
| \$135.27 | \$135.27 |
|----------|----------|

1909.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Amount on Assessors' book, | | \$68,110.56 |
| Amount added, | | 20.24 |
| Interest, | | 200.01 |
| Excise tax, | | 542.70 |
| Paid Treasurer, | \$67,410.42 | |
| Paid Treasurer, excise tax, | 542.70 | |
| Abatements, | 614.00 | |
| Claims allowed, | 280.49 | |
| Outstanding, | 25.90 | |

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|-------------|-------------|
| \$68,873.51 | \$68,873.51 |
|-------------|-------------|

J. A. HAWKES, Collector.

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Balance in treasury, | \$11,110.22 |
| Received State Treasurer, support of state paupers, | 142.59 |
| Temporary aid, | 58.45 |
| Burial of paupers, | 60.00 |
| Transportation state paupers, | 6.45 |
| Tuition of children, | 216.85 |
| Corporation tax, | 3,702.41 |
| National bank tax, | 161.69 |
| Street R. R. tax, | 7,525.70 |
| State and military aid, | 1,536.00 |
| Burial of soldiers and paupers, | 185.00 |
| County Treasurer, dog tax, | 565.22 |
| Peddlers' licenses, | 156.00 |
| Auctioneers' licenses, | 2.00 |
| Undertakers' licenses, | 4.00 |
| Sheriff of Hampden County, fines, | 18.00 |
| Pool licenses, | 20.00 |
| Slaughter house licenses, | 4.00 |
| Bowling alley licenses, | 8.00 |
| Junk dealers' licenses, | 167.00 |
| City of Worcester, pauper account, | 282.41 |
| Town of Brimfield, bridge account, | 20.50 |
| Town of Monson, bridge account, | 17.54 |
| Overseers of Poor, refunded account, | 3.00 |
| Town of Monson, tuition, | 117.50 |
| Town of Belchertown, tuition, | 69.75 |
| Town of North Wilbraham, tuition, | 42.50 |
| Town of Greenwich, tuition, | 17.50 |

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|--|--------------|
| Moving picture licenses, | \$ 16.00 |
| Cemetery Commissioners' account, | 930.74 |
| Sale of lots, | 295.00 |
| Interest on Thompson fund, | 38.42 |
| Interest on Merrick fund, | 34.34 |
| James Knox, lockup fees, | 1.50 |
| W. F. Waite, sealing, etc., | 89.45 |
| J. L. Palmer, | 27.41 |
| Rent of pest house, | 16.00 |
| J. A. Hawkes, excise tax, | 542.70 |
| Liquor licenses, | 11,904.00 |
| Palmer Savings Bank, temporary loan, | 20,000.00 |
| Palmer Savings Bank, time loan, | 7,500.00 |
| Town Farm, | \$1,059.75 |
| C. W. Johnson, old plank, | 2.50 |
| Palmer Water Co., repairs on Commercial street, | 12.50 |
| Town of Hardwick, pauper account, | 6.00 |
| C. T. Brainerd, old planks, | 10.00 |
| Circus licenses, | 15.00 |
| Baldswinvill pauper account, | 55.60 |
| Easthampton pauper account, | 49.05 |
| A. A. Warriner, account of Jas. Cross, | 10.00 |
| State contagious diseases, | 4.00 |
| B. & A. R. R. Co., fighting fires, | 98.00 |
| D. L. Bodfish, fire award, | 37.70 |
| Street R. R. account, street paving, | 3,987.39 |
| W. F. Fillmore, repairing scales, | 44.94 |
| Sewer licenses, | 200.00 |
| Interest on bank account, | 275.42 |
| H. D. Converse, old plank, | 10.00 |
| High School bonds and premium, | 18,719.88 |
| J. A. Hawkes, tax, '08, | 129.98 |
| J. A. Hawkes, tax, '09, | 67,410.42 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$159,753.97 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Paid Palmer Savings Bank, temp. loan, | \$26,537.75 |
| Palmer Savings Bank, interest, | 138.46 |
| County Treasurer, county tax, | 4,010.89 |
| Town bonds, | 6,600.00 |
| State Treasurer, corporation tax, | 1.98 |
| $\frac{1}{4}$ liquor licenses, | 2,976.00 |
| State Tax, | 5,040.00 |
| National Bank tax, | 853.87 |
| Repairs state highways, | 263.00 |
| Interest on town bonds, | 2,807.75 |
| State aid, | 1,268.00 |
| Military aid, | 216.00 |
| Cost of district court, | 656.01 |
| Selectmen's payrolls, | 35,019.09 |
| School Committee's " " | 30,744.50 |
| Building Committee's payrolls, addition and alter. of high school, | 16,817.89 |
| Highway Surveyor's payrolls, | 6,830.62 |
| Overseers of poor payrolls, | 7,676.03 |
| Overseers of poor salaries, | 400.00 |
| | —————\$148,857.84 |
| Total receipts, | \$159,753.97 |
| Total expenditures, | 148,857.84 |
| Balance in treasury, | ————— \$10,896.13 |

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN OF PALMER.

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Refunding loan, | \$16,000.00 |
| Grammar school bonds, | 17,600.00 |
| Temporary loan, | 7,500.00 |
| Three Rivers school bonds, | 24,000.00 |
| Addition to high school bonds, | 18,000.00 |
| | ————— \$83,100.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. HOLBROOK, Treasurer.

Report of Auditors.

To the Citizens of the Town of Palmer :

We have examined the books and accounts of town officers and respectfully submit the following report :

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Total receipts by Town Treasurer, | \$159,753.97 |
| Total disbursements by Town Treasurer, | 148,857.84 |
| Balance in hands of Treasurer, | <u>\$10,896.13</u> |
| Orders drawn by Selectmen, | \$35,019.09 |
| “ “ Overseers of Poor, | 7,676.03 |
| “ “ School Committee, | 30,744.50 |
| “ “ Building Committee, | 16,817.89 |
| “ Highway Surveyor, | <u>6,830.62</u> |

ACCOUNTS OF TAX COLLECTOR.

Year of 1908.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|-----------------|
| Outstanding, | | \$121.27 |
| Added by Assessors and interest, | | 14.00 |
| | | <u>\$135.27</u> |
| Abated, | \$ 5.29 | |
| Paid Treasurer, | 129.98 | 135.27 |

Year of 1909.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Amount on Assessors' book, | | \$68,110.56 |
| Amount added by Assessors, | | 20.24 |
| Interest collected, | | 200.01 |
| | | <u>\$68,330.81</u> |
| Abatements and claims allowed, | \$ 894.49 | |
| Paid Treasurer, | 67,410.42 | |
| | | <u>\$68,304.91</u> |

Outstanding, \$25.90

E. W. CARPENTER, }
C. A. LEGRO, } Auditors.

Board of Health.

The Board of Health respectfully submits the following report for the year 1909 :

During the past year diphtheria and measles have been more prevalent than other contagious diseases reported. Only one case of tuberculosis was reported to the board in the past year. The board wishes to call the attention of the physicians and inhabitants of the town to the law requiring that cases of tuberculosis shall be reported. A number of deaths were reported of tuberculosis to the board. The Thorndike Co. has in the process of construction a source of water supply, which it is hoped will furnish the inhabitants of Thorndike with pure drinking water.

The board again calls the attention of the voters for the construction of a sewer to the carpet mill to do away with the Tenneyville pond nuisance. The board recommends an appropriation of \$500 for use of the board in addition to the salaries.

The following is the report of contagious diseases :

TABLE NO. 1.

Showing the number of contagious and infectious diseases reported to the Board from February 15, 1909, to February 15, 1910.

| | Feb. '09 | March | April | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. '10 | Feb. | Total |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Diphtheria and Croup, | 1 | | 1 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 15 | 10 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 39 |
| Scarlet Fever, | 1 | | 2 | 3 | 11 | 2 | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 21 |
| Measles, | | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 2 | | 40 |
| Typhoid Fever, | | | | | 1 | | | | | 2 | | | | 5 |
| Consumption, | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Whooping Cough, | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 6 | | 7 |
| Erysipelas, | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Totals, | 2 | 1 | 3 | 17 | 15 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 14 | 2 | 114 |

TABLE NO. 2.

Number of deaths reported to the Board from February 15, 1909, to February 15, 1910.

| 1909. | | | | | | | | | | | | 1910. | |
|-------------|------|------|-----|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|-------|--|
| Feb. | Mch. | Apr. | May | Jun. | Jul. | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | |
| 5 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 15 | 9 | 19 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 13 | 20 | 7 | |
| Total, 139. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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|---------------------------|----------------------|-----|
| Burial permits, | issued by the Board, | 139 |
| Undertakers' licenses, | " " | 4 |
| Slaughter house licenses, | " " | 4 |

TABLE NO. 3.

Ages at death of persons dying in Palmer from February 15, 1909, to February 15, 1910.

| Ages. | Totals. | Males. | Females. |
|-------------------|---------|--------|----------|
| Less than 1 year, | 47 | 30 | 17 |
| 1 to 2 years, | 15 | 9 | 6 |
| 2 to 3 " | 8 | 5 | 3 |
| 3 to 4 " | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| 4 to 5 " | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| 5 to 10 " | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| 10 to 15 " | | | |
| 15 to 20 " | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 20 to 30 " | 10 | 5 | 5 |
| 30 to 40 " | 5 | 4 | 1 |
| 40 to 50 " | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| 50 to 60 " | 11 | 8 | 3 |
| 60 to 70 " | 10 | 7 | 3 |
| 70 to 80 " | 12 | 6 | 6 |
| 80 to 90 " | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| 90 to 100 " | | | |
| Totals, | 139 | 82 | 57 |

J. P. SCHNEIDER, } Board
 S. O. MILLER, } of
 H. C. CHENEY, } Health.

| Months. | DIAGNOSIS. | | RELEASE. | | Total Cases. | Total Cultures |
|---------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|
| | Positive. | Negative. | Positive. | Negative. | | |
| March, 1909 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| April | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| May | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| June | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| July | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| August | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 6 |
| September | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| October | 11 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 29 |
| November | 8 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 23 | 88* |
| December | 3 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 28 |
| January, 1910 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 11 |
| February, | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 28 |
| Totals, | 34 | 36 | 2 | 5 | 77 | 201 |
| | Total cases examined | | | 77 | | |
| | Total cultures examined | | | 201 | | |

*4 showed no growth.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT C. EMERSON, M. D., Bacteriologist.

March 2, 1910, Springfield, Mass.

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

This department has tested, sealed, corrected or condemned, as required, the following :

| | |
|---|---------|
| Platform scales weighing over 5,000 lbs., | 18 |
| Platform scales weighing under 5,000 lbs., | 45 |
| Computing scales weighing under 5,000 lbs., | 19 |
| Other scales, | 112 |
| Weights tested (corrected 27), | 369 |
| Dry measures tested (condemned 2), | 151 |
| Liquid measures tested (condemned 2), | 149 |
| Mill jars, glass, tested (condemned 3), | 464 |
| Linear measures, | 9 |
| Automatic weighing machines, | 8 |
| Self measuring pumps, | 17 |
| Steelyards, | 2 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total pieces handled, | 1,363 |
| Special inspections fifteen. | |
| Receipts of office, | \$41.95 |
| Expense, | 10.24 |
| | <hr/> |
| Balance, | \$31.71 |

W. F. WAITE, Sealer.

Report of Milk Inspector.

LICENSES ISSUED.

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Removals, | 72 |
| New Licenses, | 23 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total, | 95 |

W. F. WAITE, Inspector.

Young Men's Library Association.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1910.

My third annual report as librarian of your association is herewith presented.

The past year has been a successful one for the library in that it has rendered a greater service than ever before.

In history, science, government and in encyclopaedic knowledge valuable additions have been made. Juvenile literature has been added and the library now has a good juvenile department.

The anticipation of establishing branches of the library at Thorndike and Bondsville was not realized on account of not being able to secure a place which would serve as a reading room as well as a repository for books. During the coming year, however, I have reason to believe that such a reading room will be established in each of those villages. We shall then be able, with the same appropriation as last year, to serve the whole town well with the library.

The library was kept open on Sunday from 3.30 to 6 p. m. and from 7 to 8 p. m., from the first of March to the middle of July. The total attendance was 220, an average of eleven persons per Sunday. The attendance, however, was large at the beginning and very small toward the end, so small in fact that further continuance of the plan then was not warranted.

This year the library will be open on Sundays at the same hours as last year beginning November first and will continue as long as the attendance justifies it. Books, magazines and newspapers will be provided for all who may wish to avail themselves of the opportunity.

The circulation for the year has been as follows :

| | |
|---|--------|
| Fiction, exclusive of Booklovers, | 11,759 |
| Booklovers, | 2,346 |
| All other classes, | 2,952 |
| Three Rivers branch, | 237 |
| Total circulation, | 17,294 |
| Number of volumes in library March 1, 1909, | 7,607 |
| Booklovers returned, | 80 |
| Net, | 7,527 |
| Purchased, | 187 |
| Rented of Booklovers, | 60 |
| Donated, | 53 |
| Books on hand March 1, 1910, | 7,827 |

Respectfully submitted,

LEE T. GRAY, Librarian.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Cash on hand March 1, 1909, | \$ 354.32 | |
| Received from Town of Palmer, | 1,500.00 | |
| Fines, | 29.00 | |
| G. A. R. coal, | 25.40 | |
| Paid for books, | | \$504.39 |
| Subscriptions, | | 76.63 |
| Miss Robinson, attendant, | | 350.04 |
| James Knox, janitor, | | 126.00 |
| Fuel and lights, | | 244.72 |
| Labor, | | 8.00 |
| Binding, | | 86.00 |
| Seal, | | 2.50 |
| L. T. Gray, expense, | | 16.50 |
| Cash on hand March 1, 1910, | | 493.94 |
| | <u>\$1,908.72</u> | <u>\$1,908.72</u> |

LOUIS E. CHANDLER, Treasurer.

TOWN OF PALMER.

SCHOOL REPORT

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1910.

School Committee, 1909-1910.

FREDERICK A. UPHAM, Chairman.

LEE T. GRAY, Secretary.

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| WILLIAM KERIGAN, | Term expires 1912 |
| GEORGE D. MOOERS, | " " 1911 |
| JAMES WILSON, | " " 1911 |
| FREDERICK A. UPHAM, | " " 1910 |
| L. H. GAGER, | " " 1910 |
| DR. JOHN F. ROCHE, | " " 1910 |

Regular meeting of the School Committee at 7.30 p. m., on the Tuesday before the last Friday of each school month.

All bills must be in the hands of the Superintendent on or before the above day.

Superintendent of Schools, LEE T. GRAY.

OFFICE, High School Building. Telephone, 54-4.

OFFICE HOURS:—8 a. m. to 12 m., 1.30 to 4 p. m.; Saturdays, 9 a. m. to 12 m.; Tuesday evening from 7 to 8, except the Tuesday before the last Friday of each school month.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| T. J. Crimmins, | Depot |
| H. T. Bishop, | Thorndike |
| William Smith, | Three Rivers |
| C. E. Fuller, | Bondsville |

JANITORS.

| | |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Charles Robinson, | High School |
| Charles Johnson, | Depot |
| H. T. Bishop, | Thorndike |
| William Smith, | Three Rivers |
| C. E. Fuller, | Bondsville |

Calendar.

SCHOOL YEAR, 1910-1911.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Winter term began January 3, 1910 ; ended February 25, 1910.

Spring term begins March 7, 1910 ; ends April 29, 1910.

Summer term begins May 9, 1910 ; ends July 1, 1910.

Fall term begins September 6, 1910 ; ends December 23, 1910.

Winter term begins January 2, 1911 ; ends February 24, 1911.

Spring term begins March 6, 1911 ; ends April 28, 1911.

Summer term begins May 8, 1911 ; ends June 30, 1911.

OTHER SCHOOLS.

Winter term began January 3, 1910 ; ended February 25, 1910.

Spring term begins March 7, 1910 ; ends April 29, 1910.

Summer term begins May 9, 1910 ; ends June 17, 1910.

Fall term begins September 6, 1910 ; ends December 23, 1910.

Winter term begins January 2, 1911 ; ends February 24, 1911.

Spring term begins March 6, 1911 ; ends April 28, 1911.

Summer term begins May 8, 1911 ; ends June 16, 1911.

Report of the School Committee.

To the Citizens of Palmer :

In compliance with the statutes of the Commonwealth, the School Committee submits its annual report for the year ending March 1, 1910 ; this being the sixtieth in the series of such reports of the Palmer School Committee.

The general condition of our schools is steadily improving, and we believe that the last increase of the teachers' salaries plays no small part in this improvement of conditions. The strongest, most efficient corps of teachers obtainable will help very materially in bringing our schools to the front rank in practicable work accomplished. To continue this improvement it is highly necessary to keep the salaries of teachers at a point that will prevent other towns from taking them from Palmer at higher salaries.

We again call your attention to the need of means with which to begin manual training and commercial work in our schools. We believe that if courses in these two branches were included in the curriculum a much larger per cent of our grade pupils would attend the High School and would graduate much better equipped to begin work in the various vocations of life.

In accordance with your instructions, the Forest Lake school was opened at the beginning of the school year with an attendance of 26. The building has been repaired at an expense of \$181.57.

It was found that the Bondsville grammar school building was sadly in need of repairs and your committee, therefore, had the building painted both inside and outside, steel ceilings having first been placed in four of the schoolrooms. This building is now in first-class condition and will need very little repairing for some time to come. Running water has been installed in the Wire Mill school building, the roof shingled and the schoolroom freshly painted.

The overcrowding in grades 2 and 3 in Thorndike and the 1st grade in Three Rivers necessitated the opening of another room in each building and securing a teacher for each room. This required the purchase of a complete outfit of desks and chairs for pupils and desks for the teachers. In order to provide for this extra room in the Three Rivers building, a temporary burlap partition was extended across the assembly hall, but as this room is likely to be needed permanently, a permanent partition will need to be made during the coming year at a cost of say, \$200.

We invite your careful attention to the Superintendent's report, which is made a part of this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Salaries, teachers and superintendent, | \$21,000.00 |
| Janitors, | 2,400.00 |
| Music and drawing, | 1,000.00 |
| Fuel and light, | 2,500.00 |
| Text books and supplies, | 1,500.00 |
| Transportation, | 1,800.00 |
| Repairs, | 500.00 |
| Contingencies—dog tax, tuition, Merrick fund, | 500.00 |
| Medical inspection, | 200.00 |
| Insurance, | 500.00 |
| Commercial course in high school, | 2,500.00 |
| Manual training, | 1,000.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK A. UPHAM,
 GEO. D. MOOERS,
 L. H. GAGER,
 DR. J. F. ROCHE,
 JAMES WILSON,
 WM. B. KERIGAN.

Financial Statement.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

HIGH SCHOOL.

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|------------|
| Pauline C. Melius, | \$682.50 | |
| M. Louise Shaw, | 630.00 | |
| Genevra Clark, | 420.00 | |
| Mildred Stetson, | 390.00 | |
| Clara Hawkes, | 300.00 | |
| Ernest E. Larrabee, | 70.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,492.50 |

DEPOT.

| | | |
|------------------------|----------|------------|
| Elizabeth I. Heenehan, | \$608.00 | |
| Susette Gravestain, | 439.00 | |
| Ethel R. Babb, | 36.00 | |
| Lillian M. Sullivan, | 456.00 | |
| Jennie C. Roche, | 456.00 | |
| Mildred M. Hartwell, | 442.00 | |
| Edna Flanders, | 442.00 | |
| Marion Warner, | 135.60 | |
| Margaret McCoy, | 154.00 | |
| Helen Henderson, | 404.00 | |
| May Dillon, | 431.00 | |
| Rena S. Oliver, | 64.00 | |
| Agnes I. Mahoney, | 240.00 | |
| Annie E. O'Connor, | 288.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,595.60 |

THORNDIKE.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Katherine M. Twiss, | \$608.00 |
| Minnie V. Andrews, | 154.00 |
| Annie E. O'Connor, | 168.00 |
| Marian Sands, | 168.00 |

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|-----------------------|----------|------------|
| Mrs. Mary E. Murdock, | \$456.00 | |
| Edith Stiles, | 140.00 | |
| Flora Morey, | 240.00 | |
| Ina D. Babb, | 264.00 | |
| Natalie Jackson, | 249.00 | |
| Laura V. Arentzen, | 165.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,612.00 |
| BONDSVILLE. | | |
| Jennie C. Twiss, | \$608.00 | |
| Annie E. Bradford, | 418.00 | |
| Cora B. Clark, | 429.60 | |
| Una L. Bangs, | 442.00 | |
| Lucy Fitzgerald, | 404.00 | |
| Mary I. Fussell, | 404.00 | |
| Elizabeth A. Keefe, | 22.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,727.60 |
| THREE RIVERS. | | |
| Martha Buzzell, | \$601.60 | |
| Mary V. Leary, | 168.00 | |
| Lucy B. Twiss, | 444.00 | |
| Harriet J. Wilder, | 444.00 | |
| Julia G. Daley, | 437.00 | |
| Florence M. Phillips, | 238.00 | |
| Florence Heenehan, | 232.00 | |
| Bertha Pulsifer, | 180.00 | |
| Blanch Backus, | 89.00 | |
| Rena Hemenway, | 84.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,917.60 |
| DISTRICTS. | | |
| Mollie R. Felton, | \$430.00 | |
| May E. Mahoney, | 418.00 | |
| Harriet Marshall, | 154.00 | |
| Maude Foley, | 216.00 | |
| Margaret E. Scannell, | 238.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,456.00 |
| SUBSTITUTES. | | |
| Bertha Hastings, | \$123.00 | |
| Bertha M. Shepard, | 240.00 | |
| A. Louise Williams, | 117.00 | |
| Grace Look, | 4.00 | |

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|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Lizzie Fletcher, | \$ 37.00 | |
| L. Blanche Hazelton, | 20.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$541.00 |

SUPERINTENDENT.

| | |
|--------------|------------|
| Lee T. Gray, | \$2,000.04 |
|--------------|------------|

SECRETARY.

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Jennie E. Bray, | \$200.00 |
|-----------------|----------|

MUSIC AND DRAWING.

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Florence L. Tarbell, Instructor in Drawing, | \$492.00 | |
| Joanna V. Cantwell, Instructor in Music, | 412.00 | |
| Ginn & Co., vocal music for High School, | 2.72 | |
| Walter Jacobs, music for orchestra, | .73 | |
| Johnson's Bookstore, oil colors, | 1.24 | |
| Wadsworth, Howland & Co., paints, | 16.63 | |
| J. L. Hammett Co., pitch pipes, etc., | 2.50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$927.82 |

JANITORS.

| | | |
|-------------------|----------|------------|
| Martin Neilson, | \$398.06 | |
| William Smith, | 388.00 | |
| C. E. Fuller, | 388.00 | |
| H. T. Bishop, | 388.00 | |
| Mrs. Walker, | 25.48 | |
| Nelson St. John, | 15.00 | |
| Rufus Bacon, | 12.00 | |
| Charles Robinson, | 272.76 | |
| Charles Johnson, | 204.08 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,091.38 |

REPAIRS.

| | |
|--|---------|
| F. R. Jeffers, roof at Palmer Grammar School, | \$ 8.00 |
| S. W. Lyon & Co., plumbing, materials and labor, at High School, Palmer Grammar and Thorndike Grammar, | 40.05 |
| Palmer Mill, general repairs at Three Rivers, | 111.78 |
| J. L. Hammett Co., blackboard slating, etc., for Wire Mill schoolhouse, | 11.98 |
| F. M. Webber, work and materials at Wire Mill schoolhouse, | 130.56 |

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|---|----------|----------|
| G. A. Authier & Son, work and materials at Wire Mill schoolhouse, | \$ 24.21 | |
| Patrick J. Keyes, painting Bondsville school- house, | 301.15 | |
| James P. O'Connor, mason work at Palmer Grammar School, | 22.88 | |
| H. W. Washburn, work on air pump, | 2.00 | |
| Kinnear & Gager Mfg. Co., metal ceiling material and labor at Bondsville school- house, | 240.00 | |
| Kenney Bros. & Wolkins Co., desks and chairs for Bondsville, | 84.33 | |
| Boston Duck Co., alcohol, | .40 | |
| | <hr/> | \$977.34 |

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

| | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| J. L. Hammett Co., paper, pencils, note books, and general supplies, | \$ 98.86 | |
| Houghton, Mifflin Co., books, | 59.36 | |
| Ginn & Co., books and bookkeeping sets, | 189.97 | |
| E. E. Babb & Co., general supplies, | 592.19 | |
| Central Scientific Co., laboratory supplies, | 22.07 | |
| Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, books, | 106.07 | |
| Bay Path Printery, attendance cards, | 2.25 | |
| The Macmillan Co., books, | 19.72 | |
| Fimer & Amend, laboratory supplies, | 25.03 | |
| Rand, McNally Co., books, | 18.80 | |
| Silver, Burdett & Co., books, | 23.82 | |
| D. C. Heath & Co., books, | 63.70 | |
| American Crayon Co., crayon, | 21.20 | |
| Allyn & Bacon, books, | 61.00 | |
| Sibley & Co., books, | 1.25 | |
| American Book Co., books, | 49.94 | |
| D. Appleton & Co., books, | 61.83 | |
| Milton Bradley Co., kindergarten materials, | 34.11 | |
| George H. Kent, paper, | 5.76 | |
| Educational Publishing Co., books, | 5.00 | |
| Kenney Bros. & Wolkins Co., paper, | 42.16 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,504.09 |

FUEL AND LIGHT.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|
| J. F. Holbrook & Son, | \$ 45.42 | |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., | 61.38 | |
| Worcester County Gas Co., | 6.00 | |
| F. J. Hamilton, | 1,740.76 | |
| Brown Bros., | 400.61 | |
| W. F. Fillmore, | 76.50 | |
| Potter & Bond, | 3.00 | |
| Sullivan & Sons, | 25.00 | |
| Nelson St. John, | 16.00 | |
| C. W. Darling & Co., | 2.75 | |
| Joseph Kerrigan, | 7.00 | |
| Palmer Water Co., | 65.28 | |
| Palmer Mill, | 1.00 | |
| | ----- | \$2,450.70 |

TRANSPORTATION.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Springfield Street Railway Co., | \$975.00 | |
| W. E. Kenyon, | 590.00 | |
| Thomas Blanchard, | 11.00 | |
| | ----- | \$1,576.00 |

CONTINGENCIES.

| | | |
|---|----------|--|
| William Smith, truant officer and washing towels, | \$ 34.15 | |
| Mrs. Martin Nielson, washing towels, | 5.28 | |
| L. H. Gager, bill of Norwalk Lock Co. for locks and keys at Palmer Grammar, | 4.44 | |
| W. L. Shaw, Postmaster, envelopes, postals, etc., | 28.45 | |
| Morgan Envelope Co., toilet paper, | 25.00 | |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, glass, netting, lock and keys, oil, putty, pipe, labor, etc., | 59.57 | |
| Palmer Mill, carpenter work, painting, glass, paint, varnish, etc., and water rent, | 18.38 | |
| N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone and tolls at High School, | 46.09 | |
| S. H. Wright, sharpening lawn mowers and knives for use in laboratory, and repairing lock at Thorndike, | 1.40 | |

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| C. E. Fuller, freight and trucking bills, | \$ 8.19 |
| Parker-Hamer Electric Co., batteries, dry cells, electric bells, labor, etc., | 68.14 |
| R. H. Smith Mfg. Co., book stamp, | 2.50 |
| Palmer Trucking Co., trucking, | 36.46 |
| E. S. Brooks, clock and repairing clocks, | 7.00 |
| E. E. Babb & Co., floor brushes, | 7.30 |
| Palmer Water Co., water rent, | 26.76 |
| E. B. Taylor, oil, gold dust, bon ami, etc., | 2.55 |
| The Palmer Journal, report cards, certificates, graduation tickets, etc., | 97.32 |
| D. F. Dillon, fee in Austin case, | 9.86 |
| Potter & Bond, lumber for Bondsville school- house, | .28 |
| Martin Nielson, painting basement window frames and varnishing furniture at Palmer Grammar, and general repairs at High School, Palmer Grammar and Wire Mill, | 38.53 |
| James Wilson, lawn mower, wheel barrow, soap, brooms, potash, washing powder, towel, etc., | 21.72 |
| S. W. Lyon & Co., water contract for Wire Mill School, | 107.03 |
| Western Union Telegraph Co., telegrams, | 1.60 |
| D. L. Bodfish, ribbon for diplomas and cotton cloth, | 6.38 |
| Charles Jacobus, speaker at Grammar School graduation, | 10.00 |
| Milton Bradley Co., diplomas and engrossing diplomas, | 32.35 |
| Bay Path Printery, letter heads and Grammar School graduation programs, | 13.00 |
| S. H. Brown, carting ashes and labor at Wire Mill School, | 2.10 |
| Thomas Blanchard, team, | 1.25 |
| Walcott-Cameron Co., door mats, chairs, cur- tain cord and caning chair, | 11.08 |
| Boston Duck Co., water rent for Bondsville, | 18.90 |
| Worcester Co. Gas Co., | 2.00 |

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|---|------------------|
| Geo. D. Mooers, freight and express on desks, | \$ 7.63 |
| Lee T. Gray, expense of hiring teachers, | 6.00 |
| Charles Robinson, express, | 1.95 |
| Edward Brown, taking school census, | 50.00 |
| Smith Harrington, labor in districts, | 3.00 |
| A. F. Bennett, cleaning Forest Lake school-house, | 2.50 |
| J. L. Hammett Co., kindergarten chairs, call bells, etc., | 21.33 |
| Thorndike Co., fastening seats to floor at Thorndike Grammar, labor and materials, | 9.74 |
| C. W. Darling & Co., wood, | 5.00 |
| Bay State Drug Co., carbonal, petroleum, bandages, adhesive plaster, etc., | 4.08 |
| David Farguhar, binding books, | 106.14 |
| T. D. Potter, lumber for Bondsville, | 9.35 |
| Central Mass. Electric Co., | 18.52 |
| West Disinfecting Co., chloro naphtholeum disinfectant, | 6.25 |
| Remington Typewriter Co., typewriter ribbon, | .75 |
| E. Brown Co., general hardware and labor, | 9.91 |
| M. E. Leonard, ribbon, | .82 |
| American Seating Co., desks and chairs for Three Rivers, | 98.96 |
| Forbes & Wallace, burlap, | 1.80 |
| Johnson's Bookstore, raffia, etc., | .88 |
| J. J. Kelley, matches, cheese cloth, Dutch cleanser, etc., | 2.50 |
| W. E. Stone & Son, cheese cloth, | 1.00 |
| P. S. Trumble, fixing lock at Palmer Center schoolhouse, | 1.00 |
| Kenney Bros. & Wolkins Co., furniture for Bondsville, Three Rivers and Thorndike schools, | 62.75 |
| Springfield Sanitary Drinking Co., four drinking fountains, | 32.00 |
| C. D. Holden, soap, oil, etc., | 1.16 |
| Geo. H. Kent, paper, | 3.81 |
| D. E. Marcy, team to Thorndike, | 1.50 |
| | <hr/> \$1,225.39 |

MEDICAL INSPECTION.

| | | |
|----------------------|---------|----------|
| Dr. J. P. Schneider, | \$50.00 | |
| Dr. H. C. Cheney, | 50.00 | |
| Dr. E. L. Sullivan, | 25.00 | |
| Dr. S. O. Miller, | 50.00 | |
| Dr. H. A. Dumphy, | 25.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$200.00 |

INSURANCE.

| | | |
|--------------------|---------|----------|
| W. W. Leach & Co., | \$30.00 | |
| S. H. Hellyar, | 30.00 | |
| A. E. Fitch, | 7.87 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 67.87 |

FOREST LAKE SCHOOL.

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|-----------------------|---------|----------|
| C. J. Roche, | \$36.41 | |
| Whitcomb & Faulkner, | 6.64 | |
| T. Arcott, | 7.50 | |
| T. D. Potter, | 23.75 | |
| American Seating Co., | 77.27 | |
| E. Brown Co., | 30.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$181.57 |

BALANCE ACCOUNT.

| ACCOUNTS. | Appropriated | Expended | Unexpended | Overdrawn |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| Salaries, Supt. and Teachers..... | \$19,825.00 | \$19,542.34 | \$282.66 | |
| Music and Drawing..... | 1,000.00 | 927.82 | 72.18 | |
| Janitors..... | 2,000.00 | 2,091.38 | | \$ 91.38 |
| Text Books and Supplies..... | 1,400.00 | 1,504.09 | | 104.09 |
| Fuel and Light..... | 2,500.00 | 2,450.70 | 49.30 | |
| Transportation..... | 1,800.00 | 1,576.00 | 224.00 | |
| Repairs..... | 500.00 | 977.34 | | 477.34 |
| Insurance..... | 200.00 | 67.87 | 132.13 | |
| Contingencies.....\$500.00 | | | | |
| Dog Tax.....565.22 | | | | |
| Tuition.....464.10 | | | | |
| Merrick Fund.....29.99 | | | | |
| | <hr/> | | | |
| | 1,559.31 | 1,225.39 | 333.92 | |
| Medical Inspection..... | 200.00 | 200.00 | | |
| Forest Lake School..... | 275.00 | 181.57 | 93.43 | |
| | | | <hr/> | |
| | | | \$1,187.62 | \$672.81 |
| | | | 672.81 | |
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| Balance unexpended..... | | 514.81 | \$514.81 | |
| | <hr/> | | | |
| | \$31,259.31 | \$31,259.31 | | |

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Committee of the Town of Palmer :

Gentlemen :— I herewith present my third annual report as Superintendent of the schools of Palmer. This is the seventeenth in the series of reports issued by the superintendents of the schools of the town.

In this report the statistics in regard to attendance refer to the school year from September, 1908, to June, 1909 ; those in regard to expenditures to the year from March 1, 1909, to March 1, 1910.

STATISTICS.

I.— POPULATION.

| | |
|--|-------|
| Census of 1905, | 7,755 |
| School population Sept. 1, 1908, 5 to 15 years of age, | 1,503 |
| School population Sept. 1, 1909, 5 to 15 years of age, | 1,526 |
| Illiterate minors, | 263 |

II.— PUPILS.

Number of children in town September 1, as taken from the school census and registers :

| | 1907-8. | 1908-9 |
|---|----------|----------|
| Between ages of 7 and 14, | 1,032 | 1,069 |
| Aggregate enrollment, Sept. to June, | 1,174 | 1,383 |
| Average daily attendance, | 1,094.03 | 1,130.3 |
| Average number belonging, | 1,151.19 | 1,193.56 |
| Per cent of attendance, | 95. | 94.7 |
| Average number of pupils to each teacher, | | |
| In High School, | 23. | 23. |
| In other schools, | 35.23 | 41. |

COMPARISON FOR TEN YEARS.

| YEAR. | '00-'01 | 1901-2 | 1902-3 | 1903-4 | 1904-5 | 1905-6 | 1906-7 | 1907-8 | 1908-9 | '09-'10 |
|--------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Av. Membership | 1075.85 | 1051.9 | 955.61 | 978.82 | 1031.64 | 1107.91 | 1084.67 | 1039.24 | 1151.19 | 1193.56 |
| Av. Attendance | 1002.05 | 977.12 | 891.65 | 901.82 | 964.93 | 1045.92 | 1040.47 | 982. | 1094.03 | 1130.3 |
| Percent Attendance | 93.14 | 92.89 | 93.35 | 92.14 | 93.58 | 94.4 | 95.4 | 94.49 | 95. | 94.7 |

ATTENDANCE BY SCHOOL.

| SCHOOLS. | Average Membership. | Average Attendance. | Per Cent of Attendance. | Enrollment. |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| High..... | 104.8 | 100.4 | 95.8 | 114 |
| Palmer Grammar..... | 385.23 | 359.44 | 93.3 | 454 |
| Thorndike Grammar... | 191.63 | 184.24 | 96.1 | 221 |
| Three Rivers Grammar. | 224.06 | 213.04 | 95.1 | 262 |
| Bondsville Grammar... | 209.94 | 199.14 | 94.9 | 236 |
| DISTRICTS— | | | | |
| Center | 21.5 | 20.35 | 94.7 | 24 |
| Wire Mill..... | 44.19 | 41.92 | 94.9 | 55 |
| Shorley..... | 12.21 | 11.77 | 96.4 | 17 |

TABLE OF COST.

| | 1904-5 | 1905-6 | 1906-7 | 1907-8 | 1908-9 | 1909-10 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Salaries..... | \$16,518.74 | \$17,231.53 | \$16,673.25 | \$17,032.10 | \$18,734.56 | \$19,542.34 |
| Music and Drawing.. | 994.75 | 1,048.01 | 985.57 | 948.87 | 936.67 | 927.82 |
| Janitors..... | 1,696.00 | 1,650.50 | 1,744.21 | 1,722.54 | 1,832.78 | 2,091.38 |
| Contingencies..... | 1,400.90 | 1,324.92 | 1,100.35 | 1,573.00 | 889.41 | 1,225.39 |
| Text Books and Supplies .. | 1,396.57 | 1,401.03 | 1,598.70 | 1,479.59 | 1,385.48 | 1,504.09 |
| Repairs..... | 467.31 | 1,009.92 | 382.45 | 339.56 | 439.37 | 977.34 |
| Fuel and Light..... | 2,148.76 | 2,106.37 | 2,148.36 | 2,598.08 | 2,886.07 | 2,450.70 |
| Transportation..... | 662.50 | 1,247.50 | 1,719.03 | 1,808.70 | 1,641.70 | 1,576.00 |
| Medical Inspection... | | | | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| | \$25,345.54 | \$27,019.64 | \$26,351.92 | \$27,702.44 | \$28,946.04 | \$30,495.06 |
| Av. Membership..... | 1,031.64 | 1,107.91 | 1,084.67 | 1,039.24 | 1,151.19 | 1,193.56 |
| Av. Attendance..... | 964.93 | 1,045.92 | 1,040.47 | 982. | 1,094.03 | 1,130.3 |
| Cost per pupil, based on average membership..... | 24.57 | 24.38 | 24.29 | 26.65 | 25.14 | 25.55 |
| Cost per pupil, based on average attendance..... | 26.26 | 25.83 | 25.32 | 28.21 | 26.45 | 26.98 |
| Insurance..... | \$60.00 | \$551.25 | \$243.00 | \$ 98.63 | \$400.50 | \$67.87 |

ATTENDANCE.

During the school year of 1908-9 the per cent of attendance was 94.7, a little less than that of the preceding year. While this rate is not low, yet the attendance should be higher in order for the schools to serve most efficiently the greatest number.

Irregular attendance is responsible to a large degree for both the retardation and the elimination of pupils, which are two of the greatest problems to be solved by every school administration.

Children are often kept from school on flimsy excuses, or to do something that could just as well be attended to after school or on a Saturday. Such a practice injures the child in two ways,—it leads him to believe that his work in school is relatively unimportant, and it seriously hinders his regular progress through the grades.

No school system can be administered in the interest of the greatest number without the constant co-operation of all parents in securing regular attendance.

HOME STUDY.

Not enough home work is done by pupils in the High School. This is due largely to the indifference of parents to a condition that should not be lost sight of. In the grades home work is usually limited to one subject. This is a change that has taken place within ten or fifteen years and represents the opinions of parents and of school officials that children were being overworked at home by the school. Irrespective of the truth of those opinions, the result is that very little studying is done outside of school by those in the grades. This is an unfortunate condition, because (1) it prevents the development of the power of concentration in the child at the time when it should be developed; and (2) it promotes idleness.

If education accomplishes what it should for a child it will increase his mental power and will enable him to attack even an uninteresting problem and follow it through to a conclusion. Study, however, is the one method without which this power can not be attained, for dispersed attention never yet produced anything of a high order. Art is the work of a concentrated mind. Lack of home study promotes idleness by not affording the child enough to do outside of school.

While the effect of this is serious in the grades, it is of even greater consequence in the High School. Since there is only one

session in the High School, and since the child has not acquired the habit of industrious study in the grades, he goes out of school at one o'clock with the idea that his study for that day has ended.

Now a normal child represents a certain amount of energy, and his actions are determined by the direction of that energy. If not directed into good pursuits evil will be the result, not that the child is inherently bad, but that he is determined to do something.

The fact that parents have formed the habit of not insisting on home study by the child while in the grades leads them to continue the same policy in regard to him after he has reached the High School. The fault is one of omission rather than of commission, but its consequences as to the child are no less serious on that account.

When the child reaches the High School parents must insist on not less than two regular hours for home study, regular hours for recreation and regular hours for retiring, if the best school work is to be done, and the best mental development secured.

RETARDATION AND ELIMINATION.

Everybody who has made a study of school administration knows that retardation and elimination are two important indexes of the efficiency of a school system.

A retarded pupil is one who is older than the grade in which he is. For instance, if the normal age of pupils in the first grade is six to eight, a pupil eight or more is retarded.

By elimination is meant leaving school before the elementary grades have been completed.

By applying these two tests we shall be able to determine the efficiency of our school system. I therefore invite your attention to the following table :

RETARDATION.

Table I. Showing the age and grade distribution, September, 1909.

| Age | GRADE. | | | | | | | | | Total |
|---------------------------|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | |
| 4 | 5 | | | | | | | | | 5 |
| 5 | 77 | 4 | | | | | | | | 81 |
| 6 | 77 | 49 | 3 | | | | | | | 129 |
| 7 | 35 | 73 | 30 | 4 | | | | | | 142 |
| 8 | 8 | 39 | 45 | 23 | 7 | | | | | 122 |
| 9 | 4 | 24 | 40 | 35 | 15 | 2 | | | | 120 |
| 10 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 31 | 34 | 27 | 2 | | | 127 |
| 11 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 10 | 27 | 38 | 19 | 3 | | 109 |
| 12 | | | 4 | 12 | 18 | 26 | 34 | 32 | 8 | 134 |
| 13 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 12 | 25 | 18 | 25 | 15 | 104 |
| 14 | | | 1 | | 3 | 7 | 9 | 18 | 29 | 67 |
| 15 | | | | 1 | | | | | 11 | 12 |
| 16 | | | | | | | | 1 | 6 | 7 |
| Total | 213 | 198 | 157 | 120 | 116 | 125 | 82 | 79 | 69 | 1159 |
| Above normal age | 19 | 33 | 39 | 27 | 33 | 32 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 199 |
| Per Cent above normal age | 8.9 | 16.6 | 24.8 | 22.5 | 28.4 | 25.6 | 10.9 | 1.2 | 8.6 | 17.2 |

You will notice that the per cent of retardation is 17.2. That for the whole country is from 16 to 20 per cent.

CAUSES: Retardation in our system, as well as in others, is due to late entrance or to slow progress. The theory of late entrance is that the child who enters school at seven, eight, or nine, will be able to catch up with the child who enters at five. That theory, however, does not accord with the practice. Children rarely skip a grade, unless the grading is flexible. In our system the grading is not flexible. Our school work is definitely marked out, and a certain amount apportioned to a given year, and promotion takes place once a year. The result is that a pupil who fails must repeat the work of an entire year, while the repetition of only a part of the work is perhaps necessary.

Retardation, therefore, is due more to slow progress than to late entrance. Slow progress is due partly to deficiencies of the

school system, and partly to outside conditions. Inflexible grading, lack of individual assistance on the part of the teacher, and the fact that the school is operated for the brightest and for the dullest, rather than for the average pupils, are the principal shortcomings of the system. Outside conditions are responsible for irregular attendance, lack of home study, and lack of direction of activities during leisure time.

REMEDIES: As remedies I suggest the following: More flexible grading, or the employment of a teacher in each building to do individual work in those grades where the per cent of retardation is greatest, namely, in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

REPEATERS.

The number of repeaters is recruited from retarded pupils, although it is less.

Table II, showing number and cost per year, at \$25.00 each, of repeaters, September, 1909.

| Grade | Enrollment | Repeating | Cost |
|----------|------------|-----------|--------|
| 1 | 213 | 35 | \$875 |
| 2 | 198 | 17 | 425 |
| 3 | 157 | 7 | 175 |
| 4 | 120 | 7 | 175 |
| 5 | 116 | 14 | 350 |
| 6 | 125 | 4 | 100 |
| 7 | 82 | 0 | 000 |
| 8 | 79 | 3 | 75 |
| 9 | 69 | 1 | 25 |
| Total | 1159 | 88 | \$2200 |
| Per Cent | | 7.5 | |

Calling the cost per pupil \$25 the total cost of repeaters per year is \$2200. While the per cent of repeaters is only 7.5, yet this money cost is considerable for any given year. The saving of a part of that amount by an expenditure of less than the sum saved would be a wise expenditure.

ELIMINATION.

In considering the elimination of pupils I ask your attention to the following table :

Table III, showing elimination and rate of same in each grade, September, 1909.

| Grade | Beginning | Elimination | Per Cent |
|-------------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| 1 | 178 | | |
| 2 | 198 | | |
| 3 | 157 | 21 | 11.7 |
| 4 | 120 | 58 | 32.5 |
| 5 | 116 | 62 | 34.2 |
| 6 | 125 | 53 | 29.7 |
| 7 | 82 | 96 | 53.9 |
| 8 | 79 | 99 | 55.6 |
| 9 | 69 | 109 | 61.2 |
| High School | | | |
| I | 54 | 124 | 69.6 |
| II | 25 | 153 | 65.9 |
| III | 23 | 155 | 87.0 |
| IV | 21 | 157 | 88.2 |

According to this table we are carrying through the ninth grade only two out of five, or forty per cent of those who begin the first grade. Sixty out of a hundred fall by the wayside or are eliminated. A manufacturing establishment wasting sixty per cent, or at least not finishing more than forty per cent of its raw material, would so on become insolvent.

There can be no question of the statement that the least amount of education that every child of to-day and of to-morrow should have, to properly discharge the duties of a true citizen, is that furnished by the elementary schools.

We carry through the High School ten per cent, or one out of ten, of those who begin the first grade. Throughout the country about 50 per cent of those who enter the first grade are carried through the elementary school, and one in ten complete the High School course. This is an unfortunate condition. In Palmer we are below the average in the per cent of elimination in the grades, and equal the average number which is carried through the High School.

Respect for and obedience to law, recognition of the rights of others, and, in fine, the success of a democracy, depends upon the amount of education received by the greatest number. That body politic, therefore, which is giving an elementary education to only forty per cent of its citizens cannot permanently maintain a democracy, since it is constantly menaced by the impulsive sixty per cent.

CAUSES: The causes of this elimination are both internal and external, but the exact extent to which each is responsible is yet to be determined. In the school system itself retardation, slow progress and the fact that the subjects are not always adapted to the needs of the pupil, result in elimination. Outside of the school, the economic conditions of the home, illness in the family, and personal illness, are the leading causes of this condition.

The State also encourages elimination by the statute in regard to compulsory attendance, which allows a child of five years to attend school and compels all children between the ages of seven and fourteen to attend. Since the average age of beginning the first grade is between six and seven years, regular progress through the grades will not enable a child to begin the ninth grade until he is between fourteen and fifteen years old. Add to that the fact that the child does not progress regularly through the grades, and the result is that many children at fourteen have reached only the sixth or seventh grades.

Then, notwithstanding the fact that a town maintains at great expense eight or nine grades, the State tells that child that, in whatever grade the age of fourteen may find him, he is no longer obliged to follow the course of education furnished him, and that he may leave school forever,— an injustice to all concerned.

REMEDIES: In the first part of this report remedies for retardation and a slow progress were suggested. To further reduce elimination there must be a greater adaptability of subjects to pupils. While improvement along that line can be made in the subjects already taught in our schools, the introduction of new subjects would materially increase the efficiency of the school system.

Wherever manual training for boys and sewing for girls have been introduced, pupils have been retained in school from two to four years longer. A boy who represents on paper a chair, book-case, or any other idea, and then, with tools, works out his design in wood,

has expressed a thought more accurately, as a rule, than he could express the thoughts of the author of a history, geography or other text book. He has acquired the power of self expression, and the result is the development of mental power. That particular form of expression is natural to him, he is interested, and thereby develops more power than he could develop by the pursuit of any other subject.

A girl who designs a curtain, pillow top, handkerchief, waist or other useful article, and works out that design in some suitable material, has expressed a definite thought and has increased her efficiency. She has demonstrated her power of self expression. She is the type of girl who usually makes slow progress in her studies, because of lack of power to express the thought of an author.

Our school system affords nothing to bring out the best there is in boys and girls of that type. An expenditure of one thousand dollars toward their development by that method would be an economic expenditure, from an educational standpoint.

A commercial course in the High School, properly correlated with other subjects, would produce a similarly beneficial result.

The external encouragement of elimination would be minimized by a State law compelling all children between the ages of seven and sixteen to attend school. Such a law would enable towns to get a more nearly equitable return on the investment required to maintain the eight or nine grade school system of the present, and the future citizens of the Commonwealth would be much better qualified to assume their duties as such.

An alternative, however, is for the town to rearrange its system on the basis of eight grades instead of nine. This would enable a greater number to complete the elementary grades before reaching the age of fourteen. It would also necessitate more intensive work throughout the grades.

In closing my report I wish to thank the parents, the teachers and the School Committee, for their continued coöperation in the welfare of our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

LEE T. GRAY,

Superintendent.

APPENDIX A.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION.

MARCH 1, 1910.

| Year Appointed. | | Salary |
|-------------------------------|--|------------|
| SUPERINTENDENT AND PRINCIPAL. | | |
| 1907 | Lee T. Gray, | \$2,000.00 |
| | HIGH SCHOOL. | |
| 1904 | Genevra F. Clark, Latin, | 700.00 |
| 1910 | Ernest E. Larrabee, Science, | 700.00 |
| 1908 | Mildred R. Stetson, French and German, | 650.00 |
| 1906 | Pauline C. Melius, Mathematics, | 700.00 |
| 1909 | Clara Hawks, English, | 500.00 |
| PALMER GRAMMAR SCHOOL. | | |
| 1900 | Elizabeth I. Heenehan, Prin., Grade IX, | 608.00 |
| 1906 | Susette Gravestein, Grade VIII, | 456.00 |
| 1890 | Annie E. O'Connor, Grade VII, | 456.00 |
| 1909 | Agnes I. Mahoney, Grade VI, | 380.00 |
| 1909 | Mary B. Dillon, Grade V, | 418.00 |
| 1905 | Lillie M. Sullivan, Grade IV, | 456.00 |
| 1906 | Mildred M. Hartwell, Grade III, | 456.00 |
| 1906 | Jennie C. Roche, Grade II, | 456.00 |
| 1907 | Edna Flanders, Grade I, | 456.00 |
| 1908 | Helen Henderson, Assistant, Grades I and II, | 418.00 |
| THORNDIKE GRAMMAR SCHOOL. | | |
| 1891 | Katherine M. Twiss, Prin., Grades VIII and IX, | 608.00 |
| 1909 | Laura V. Arentzen, Grades VI and VII, | 418.00 |
| 1909 | Flora Morey, Grades IV and V, | 380.00 |
| 1909 | Ina D. Babb, Grade III, | 418.00 |
| 1909 | Natalie Jackson, Grade II, | 418.00 |
| 1874 | Mary E. Murdock, Grade I, | 456.00 |
| THREE RIVERS GRAMMAR SCHOOL. | | |
| 1907 | Martha Buzzell, Prin., Grades VIII and IX, | 608.00 |
| 1909 | Florence Heenehan. Grades VI and VII, | 380.00 |
| 1910 | Rena Hemenway, Grades IV and V, | 418.00 |
| 1896 | Lucy B. Twiss, Grades III and IV, | 456.00 |
| 1901 | Julia G. Daley, Grade II, | 456.00 |
| 1909 | Bertha Pulsifer, Grades I and IV, | 380.00 |
| 1908 | Harriet J. Wilder, Grade I, | 456.00 |

BONDSVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

| | | |
|------|---|--------|
| 1894 | Jennie C. Twiss, Prin., Grades VIII and IX, | 608.00 |
| 1908 | Lucy Fitzgerald, Grade VII, | 418.00 |
| 1910 | Elizabeth A. Keefe, Grades V and VI, | 418.00 |
| 1890 | Cora B. Clark, Grades III and IV, | 456.00 |
| 1908 | Una L. Bangs, Grades II and III, | 456.00 |
| 1908 | Mary I. Fussell, Grade I, | 418.00 |

PALMER CENTER SCHOOL.

| | | |
|------|----------------------------------|--------|
| 1901 | May E. Mahoney, Grades I and VI, | 418.00 |
|------|----------------------------------|--------|

WIRE MILL SCHOOL.

| | | |
|------|------------------------------------|--------|
| 1908 | Mollie R. Felton, Grades I and IV, | 437.00 |
|------|------------------------------------|--------|

SHORLEY DISTRICT SCHOOL.

| | | |
|------|--------------|--------|
| 1909 | Maude Foley, | 342.00 |
|------|--------------|--------|

FOREST LAKE SCHOOL.

| | | |
|------|--------------------|--------|
| 1909 | Margaret Scannell, | 418.00 |
|------|--------------------|--------|

DRAWING.

| | | |
|------|----------------------|--------|
| 1904 | Florence L. Tarbell, | 500.00 |
|------|----------------------|--------|

MUSIC.

| | | |
|------|---------------------|--------|
| 1897 | Joanna V. Cantwell, | 420.00 |
|------|---------------------|--------|

APPENDIX B.

"NO SCHOOL" SIGNAL.

The signal is given by direction of the Superintendent of Schools.

The School Committee has adopted the following regulations respecting the "no-school" signal:

The "no-school" signal, when given at 8 o'clock a. m. indicates that there will be no morning session in grades 1, 2 and 3.

When given at 8.30 a. m. indicates that there will be no school in all grades.

When given at 11.15 indicates that there will be no afternoon session for grades 1, 2 and 3.

When given at 11.45 indicates that there will be no afternoon session for all grades.

The "no-school" signal in precinct A will be given on the fire alarm by three strokes of the bell twice repeated, making nine strokes in all, thus: * * * * * * * * *

In precinct D or Bondsville the "no-school" signal will be sounded upon the steam chime whistle at the mill of T. D. Potter.

In other precincts the "no-school" signal will be given by three blasts on the steam chime whistles, each blast from 3 to 5 seconds' duration, a pause between each blast of from 3 to 5 seconds, thus: ——— ——— ——— It will also be sounded by the chime whistle of the Wright Wire Co.

The "no-school" signal does not effect the High School; sessions are held there every school day.

Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, } ss.
HAMPDEN,

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer, in said County.

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Palmer, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Palmer, designated by the Selectmen, to wit: In Precinct A, at the Engine House on Park street in the Depot Village; in Precinct B, at Temperance Hall on Commercial street in Thorndike; in Precinct C, at Ruggles' Hall on East Main street in Three Rivers; and in Precinct D, at Holden's Old Store in Bondsville, on Monday, the 21st day of March, A. D. 1910, at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the precinct officers of the several voting precincts of said town, for the following town officers, to wit: Three Selectmen, a Town Treasurer, a Tax Collector, two Auditors, five Constables, three Fence Viewers, three License Commissioners and a Highway Surveyor, all for the term of one year; one Assessor, one Overseer of the Poor, two members of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Health, and one Cemetery Commissioner, all for the term of three years; one member of the School Committee for two years, to fill a vacancy; also to vote by ballot, which shall be "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls will be open at 6 o'clock in the forenoon and may be closed at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet

at the Town House at Four Corners, in said Palmer, on Monday, the 28th day of March, A. D. 1910, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose two or more Field Drivers, Measurers of Wood and Bark, and all other usual town officers.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to hire or build a tramp room and lockup.

ART. 4. To act on the reports of the town officers.

ART. 5. To raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year, the same to be paid from said taxes.

ART. 7. To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money not to be paid from the taxes of the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To hear and act on the reports of committees.

ART. 9. To choose committees and give them instructions.

ART. 10. To see if the town will allow a discount and determine what interest shall be paid on the taxes to be assessed for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To determine the manner and state the terms and conditions of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year, and fix the compensation of the collector of taxes.

ART. 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

ART. 13. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the Young Men's Library Association.

ART. 14. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools, and instruct the School Committee as to the manner of letting the contract for such conveyance.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise money for the celebration of Memorial Day.

ART. 16. To see what action the town will take in relation to sewers.

ART. 17. To see what action the town will take in regard to lighting the streets, and whether it will authorize the selectmen to make contract therefor.

ART. 18. To see what action the town will take in reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees.

ART. 19. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the care and improvement of cemeteries.

ART. 20. To see what action the town will take in regard to sidewalks.

ART. 21. To see if the town will vote to maintain night police in the several villages, and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 22. To see what action the town will take relative to suits and claims now pending against the town.

ART. 23. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for necessary aid to soldiers and sailors and their families, and the families of the slain, and entrust the same to L. L. Merrick Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, under the provisions of law.

ART. 24. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to procure a map of the village of Three Rivers for their use, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$450 for the purchase of 500 ft. of new fire hose, and \$150 for painting and re-plating the fire engine, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 26. To see if the town will accept and allow a new town way as laid out by the Selectmen, as follows: Beginning at a stone bound on the northerly side of Pinney street, so-called, 50 ft. northeasterly from the northeast corner of land of Thomas Carroll, thence running north 16 degrees west, and at right angles to said Pinney street, 341 ft. to a stone bound, thence north 40 degrees, 42 minutes east, 134 ft. to a stone bound; the line described is the westerly and northwesterly side line of said town way which is laid out 50 ft. wide over land of Herbert A. Northrop and land of George A. and Harriet Branford, on the easterly and southeasterly side of said line.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer from the Carpet Mill, in the Depot Village, in a southerly direction, through Breckenridge street, thence along the line of the old Monson road, through land of one Nelson, to the Quaboag river, and raise

and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the repair and maintenance of the clock located in the Universalist church tower, in the Depot Village, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the whole or any part of a highway in the village of Three Rivers, called Barker street, and extending southeasterly from the Belchertown road, so-called, to the residence formerly occupied by Franklin Barker.

ART. 30. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to construct a new bridge, with the necessary piers, abutments, foundations and approaches, across the Chicopee river in the village of Three Rivers, within the limits of the lay out of the Belchertown road, or in any other more desirable location, appoint a committee to investigate the advisability of a new bridge, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 31. To see if the town will concur with the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners in the proposed change in the boundary line between the towns of Palmer and Ware.

ART. 32. To see if the town will vote to mark the graves of soldiers of Colonial Wars, War of Revolution and War of 1812, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to purchase a playground in the Depot Village, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 34. To see if the town will vote to macadamize North Main street, in the Depot Village, between Thorndike street and Shearer's Corner, so-called, or any portion thereof, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 35. To see if the town will authorize the School Committee, or any special committee, to dispose of the old boiler at the High School, and any furniture or other property that may be beyond use.

ART. 36. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the construction of new ash or gravel walk, where needed, and repair of the old walk, from the Catholic church in Thorndike to Three Rivers, and construct a crosswalk from said walk to the Polish church near Four Corners.

ART. 37. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the construction of a sidewalk in Water street, in the Depot Village.

ART. 38. To see if the town will make a gravel or cinder path on High street, in Thorndike, commencing at Commercial street and extending to School street.

ART. 39. To see if the town will extend the School street sewer, in the village of Thorndike, to the end of said street, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 40. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the extension of the sewer in Commercial street, in the village of Thorndike, running from the Mrs. Daniel Shields estate to the Keith estate, on the corner of Commercial and High streets.

ART. 41. To see if the town will vote to extend the sewer in South Main street, in the Depot Village, from the northerly terminus thereof, northwesterly, to the brick house of the Central Vermont Railway Co., and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 42. To see if the town will vote to install an electric light on Harvey avenue, in the village of Thorndike, opposite the property of the Misses Cunningham, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 43. To see if the town will vote to establish an electric light on High street, in the village of Thorndike, near the house occupied by P. Cavanaugh.

ART. 44. To see if the town will vote to establish an electric light at the corner of Pine and Forest streets, in the Depot Village, near the residence of George Mayor.

ART. 45. To see if the town will vote to locate an electric light at the corner of Spring and Pond streets, in the Depot Village.

ART. 46. To see if the town will vote to locate an electric light in Holbrook street, in the Depot Village, near the house of F. H. Hart.

ART. 47. To see if the town will vote to establish an electric light in front of the Polish church, at Four Corners.

ART. 48. To see if the town will vote to locate three electric lights on a way laid out by J. W. Cheney, in Three Rivers, and called Ford street.

ART. 49. To see if the town will vote to discontinue three mem-

bers of the School Committee and pay the remaining three members \$50 each a year.

ART. 50. To see if the town will vote to reduce the pay of the Selectmen by the sum of \$50 each a year, or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 51. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the construction and repair of walks at the High School building, and for grading, loaming and seeding the lawn.

ART. 52. To vote by separate ballot, which shall be "Yes" or "No," in answer to the following question: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year 1908, entitled 'An Act to provide for the protection of forest or sprout lands from fire,' be accepted by this town?"

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the different public places designated by the vote of the town, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting, and cause this warrant to be printed in the Palmer Journal at least two issues before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 10th day of March, A. D. 1910.

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| HENRY W. HOLBROOK, | } Selectmen. |
| WILLIAM LAWTON, | |
| GEORGE S. HOLDEN, | |
| | } of |
| | } Palmer. |

A true copy attest :

GEORGE A. BILLS, Constable.





